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Swing to right buys time

Major calls for return to core values

BY PHILIP WEBSTER
POLITICAL EDITOR

■ The prime minister may have succeeded in rallying the faithful but Douglas Hurd is now being urged to take up the left-wing standard

JOHN Major bought himself time with a direct appeal to the *gut instincts of traditional* Tory supporters yesterday when he called for a return to core values, promised a crackdown on pornography and virtually ruled out income tax rises next month.

He won instant praise from cabinet rightwingers by signalling his readiness to embrace the rightward shift seen at Blackpool this week and rallied the conference behind him with his plea for unity and loyalty, declaring that he had no intention of being pushed out of office.

"I am not about to write my memoirs," he said, brushing aside the row over Baroness Thatcher's leaked criticisms in her forthcoming book. "There is a job to be done, a job I was elected to do and I propose to go on doing it."

His speech, delivered in relaxed and chatty style without the aid of an Autocue, earned the prime minister an 11-minute standing ovation and an important breathing space in the tussle over his leadership. But senior Conservatives believe that he will remain on trial until there is firmer evidence of economic recovery and the party has crossed the hurdle of next year's European and local elections. The real challenge will come when he returns to Westminster to prepare his party for a tough budget and a ferocious public spending battle.

Yesterday, he pleased Eurosceptics with a promise to fight next year's European elections "on a clear and distinct British Conservative manifesto" and he seemed to be trying to reassure the right with his assertion that high income tax would never be part of the party's programme. Michael Portillo said Mr Major had identified with the instincts of the British people, adding: "It was a brilliant, brilliant performance", while Peter Lilley declared: "We are profoundly behind him — there is a lot of warm support for him from the conference and swelling out into the country."

Their remarks epitomised the satisfaction of right-wingers, who believe they have made striking policy advances this week, but some Conservatives suggested that Mr Major could pay a price for his apparent willingness to appease them. Douglas Hurd is already being urged by influential MPs to take up the standard of the Conservative left in the ideological battle for the soul of the party.

Mr Major's demand for loyalty was the most powerful passage in his speech, and clearly struck a chord with party activists who happily swallowed their doubts about him in the interests of party unity. He backed away from outright confrontation with the rebel Tory MPs who have dogged him in recent months, but said: "There is one thing that demoralises our workers and breaks apart our support in the country and that is disunity." Disunity led to defeat; that meant the party had to have its agreements in public and disagreements in private.

To one of the loudest cheers of the afternoon he insisted: "If agreement is impossible, and sometimes on great issues it is difficult, if not impossible, then I believe I have the right as leader of this party to hear of that disagreement in private and not on television interviews outside the House of Commons."

The policy content was limited, however. He announced a crackdown "on the loathsome trade in pornography" with legislation to bring in new powers of arrest anbd search, to seize videos and other material, and to make possession of child pornography an imprisonable crime.

His nostalgic call for the Conservatives to return to their roots won loud acclaim. It was time to get back to the basics, he said. "To self-discipline and respect for the law; to consideration for others; to accepting responsibility for yourself and your family and not shuffling it off on the state." The Tories stood for "self reliance, decency and respect for others. Wages that stay in the pay packet and don't drain away in tax. We stand for money that keeps its value, for a country united around those old commonsense British values that should never have been pushed aside."

On tax, he promised: "High income tax is no part of this party's programme; it never has been and, as far as I am concerned, it never will be. Other parties tax because they want to. We tax only if we have to. So, come rain or shine, taxes will always be lower under us than any other kind of government."

Mr Major also pledged that he would not put British soldiers in Bosnia at risk for the sake of talking big and striking attitudes: "I will not rush into war. Emotion says yes. Logic says no. I say no." And he underlined his growing closeness to the Ulster Unionists, upon whose support he may increasingly rely, by emphasising his belief in the right of the people of Northern Ireland to determine their own future.

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MATTHEW PARRIS

And then came stomping ovations and the singing of *Land of Hope and Glory*. Odd, that. Given the burden of Mr Major's speech, we had half expected *Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weeny, Yellow Polka Dot Bikini*. Next year?

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TONY WHITE

Viscount Linley and Serena Stanhope emerge from St Margaret's, Westminster, after their wedding yesterday

Fashion and rank meet at Linley wedding

BY ALAN HAMILTON

WHEN Buckingham Palace meets the King's Road, which is not often, the result is a fashion display that leaves *bystanders breathless and* incredulous. Among the several thousand at the railings of St Margaret's, Westminster, for the wedding of Viscount Linley and the Hon Serena Stanhope yesterday, there was much remarking that you could get away *with wearing pretty well* anything these days.

Autumn it may have been, with *golden plane leaves crunching* underfoot and an October sun obligingly warming the day, but few of the 650 guests were constrained by the season's natural hues, or by any convention that dictates that neither bride nor sovereign should be upstaged.

The bride, of course, looked stunning, with ten layers of fabric between her and the outside world. Bruce Robbins, a young designer who will doubtless now flourish, had created a closely fitted bodice of oyster duchesse satin with integral peplum, knotted at the front waist descending to a loosely tied drape at centre back. A separate full-length trained skirt was made of graduated layers of white tulle, and the whole creation rested on a boned corset with attached underskirts of stiffened net incorporating a boned bustle back.

Miss Stanhope was wearing perhaps a touch more make-up than her

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Officer 'murdered parents after champagne party'

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

AN OFFICER in the Royal Green Jackets regiment murdered his parents after a champagne party to celebrate his mother's birthday, a court was told yesterday.

Roderick Newall was arrested five years later, after blurting out his pent-up guilt when "gazing into the face of his dead father's identical twin", a QC told an extradition hearing in Gibraltar. The meeting with his uncle at a Perthshire hotel was secretly recorded by police.

Mr Newall, a lieutenant, had also broken down in tears in the arms of his Brazilian girlfriend, crying: "I'm a murderer, I'm a murderer".

Mr Newall, aged 28, told his uncle that he was looking forward to seeing his parents, Nicholas and Elizabeth Newall, on "the other side" but would not say sorry to them, Desmond de Silva, QC, said.

The bodies of his parents have not been found since they disappeared from their home at St Brelades, Jersey, in October 1987, in what the Crown alleges was a carefully planned and brutally executed double murder. They were last seen alive in the restaurant of the Sea Crest Hotel, St Brelades, where they had celebrated Mrs Newall's 48th birthday. Before going to the dinner, Roderick Newall and his brother, Mark, drank two bottles of champagne at their parent's £200,000 bungalow in Clos de l'Atlantique.

The brothers inherited an estimated £500,000 in 1991 after winning an application at Jersey's Royal Court in St Helier to have their parents presumed dead.

Mark Newall, aged 26, a money broker, is in custody after denying murdering his parents. His brother was arrested at sea in August last year when the yacht Austral Soma was stopped 150 miles off Gibraltar after a 48-hour naval surveillance operation.

After 14 months of legal argument, Mr de Silva opened proceedings for the extradition of Roderick Newall to the Channel Islands to stand trial with his brother. He outlined a Crown case which included references to statements by Roderick, secretly recorded by police, which were "an utter confession of 'I did it myself'."

Mr de Silva said that Roderick was trapped when he had

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Jesu, joy of man's defining

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

JESUS has been redefined by the *New Shorter Oxford English Dictionary* from "the Founder of Christianity" to "a Jewish preacher regarded by his followers as the Son of God incarnate".

The new edition, which has taken 13 years to compile at a cost of £3 million, has been accused of being blasphemous because of the examples it gives of modern usage. Instead of quoting Charles Wesley, the Methodist hymn writer, and the Bible, the new version cites "Jesus Wept!", "Jesus Freak" and "Jesus! he cried, I'm glad to be here," as examples of usage. A Jesus Freak, it says, is "a [usually young] person combining a lifestyle like that of a hippy with fervent evangelical Christianity". Other terms have also changed. The new "holy" includes "holy cow!" and "holy Moses!" as oaths or expletives. The definition of God includes "God-awful" and "God blast".

A spokeswoman for Lambeth Palace, the London home of Dr George Carey, the Archbishop of Canterbury, said: "It is deeply regrettable that the examples given emphasise the negative use of the word, and that there are no positive ones such as 'Jesus Lives' or 'Through Jesus Christ our Lord'."

The Rev Tony Higton, a senior evangelical and member of the General Synod, said: "They have used almost as many words to define the blasphemous use of it as the theological, historical definition. I also find the idea of Jesus as a 'Jewish preacher' to be a rather derogatory term."

Alan Hughes, one of two general editors, defended the modern usages for Jesus. "The dictionary sells widely in America and other parts of the English-speaking world. We do not take the standpoint of an English Christian or English Anglican."

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Britons trapped by banana rebellion

FROM HELEN JOHNSTONE IN ST LUCIA

HUNDREDS of British holidaymakers have been caught up in violent protests by banana growers on the Caribbean island of St Lucia.

Two local people were reported dead after farmers blockaded the main road linking the airport in the south with tourist hotels in the north. Police Commissioner Algernon Hemmingway said the two had been shot when police faced a mob of about 500, many of whom were carrying cutlasses and sticks.

Farmers are angry at what they see as the failure of the Banana Growers' Association — a government co-operative — to protect the industry from threats to remove EC subsidies and competition from South American fruit growers.

Tourists were isolated in their hotels after being advised not to use the roads amid fears that mobs were demanding cash and valuables for "safe passage".

The Foreign Office said it was not advising Britons to stay away. British Airways Holidays said air shuttles would ferry visitors from the south to north of the island until the situation had returned to normal.

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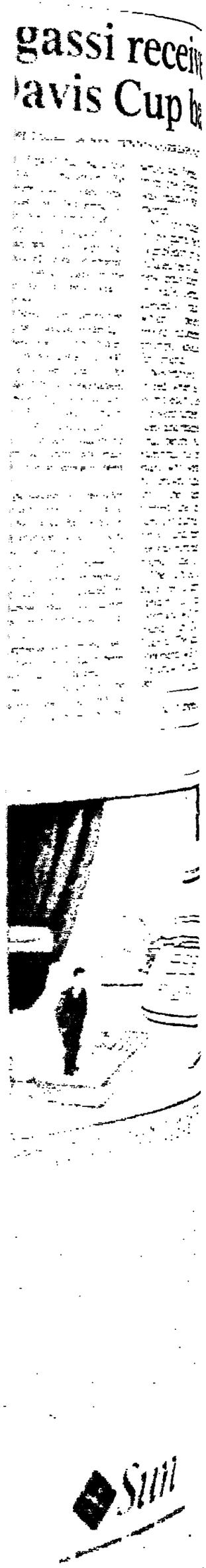


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CONFERENCE SKETCH

Major's miniskirt appeal gets him into the swing

Matthew Parris

There's always one who forgets to bring money for the church collection, but it's a pity it had to be the Chancellor of the Exchequer. As stewards rattled plastic buckets among the Tory faithful in the Winter Gardens at Blackpool yesterday, Kenneth Clarke rummaged desperately through his already rumpled suit, looking for change.

The appeal for funds, from the novelist Michael Dobbs, came just before John Major was due to appear.

In a witty address he berated the press for our "inability to distinguish between a bicycle accident and the end of civilisation". Journalists took note, preparing to confound Dobbs and call Mr Major a bicycle accident. But he wasn't. He stayed on his bike. In conference terms the speech went well.

It started with balloons. Mr Major's cabinet colleagues assembled on the platform to the strains of Handel's *Judas Maccabaeus*. White balloons were released and the PM walked in and sat down, blinking, lights shining in his eyes and a sea of faces all around. He smiled tentatively. He looked like a man who has found himself in a country he doesn't quite understand. Introducing him, the chairman said: "You inherited the shooting part of the Gulf war."

It struck us that Mr Major inherited the shooting part of a number of Mrs Thatcher's other wars too.

Then came the speech. Threading through a number of rather fine but unconnected passages about Bosnia, village post offices and John Smith as the Scottish Buddha, was a clear theme: the need for a return to the values Britain abandoned in the sixties. Go Johnny Go (of his 1991 conference speech) and Big John of last year's oration were shelved. In their place we had Johnny B. Goode. Shall we have to go all the way, one wondered? Will it be hop-scotch, winkle-pickers and beehive hairdos at Bournemouth next year? The image of a young John Major, the awkward, dutiful 60s teenager who may have felt a bit left out by a decade of permissiveness and swing, was unsuppressible.

But there's no doubt the audience likes the message, and that it was delivered in more confident, human terms than have characterised Major's previous speeches. We did feel he was talking to us. This traditionalist message may melt like a snowfall in spring, there being no way for politicians to renovate popular morality, but Mr Major did succeed in moving his audience forward from the preoccupations of recent months. That was a real success.

Sir Norman Fowler, the party chairman, seemed to enjoy it, anyway. He clapped repeatedly with a strange, schoolboy enthusiasm, both palms outspread, lingering at each separation of the palms as though they were partially stuck together with gum. It struck us that, in the best 50s schoolboy tradition, Mr Major may have given his friend his gobstopper to hold, while he made the speech.

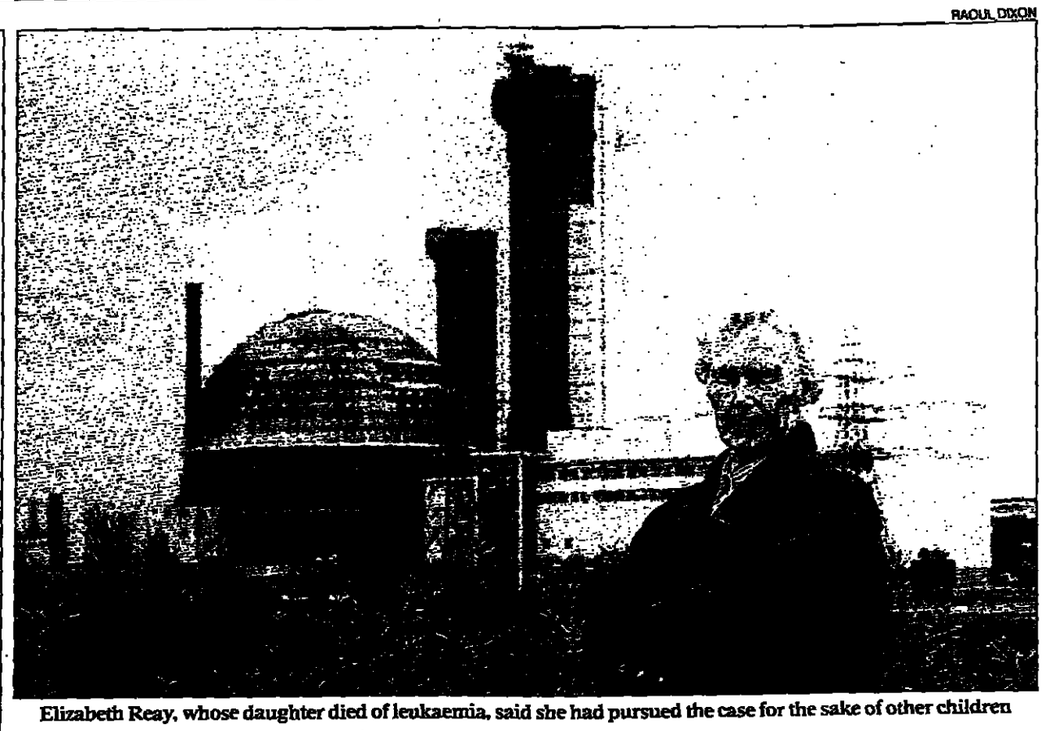
The performance ended in an "Oh — and one more thing" thank-you to his party. Major took a rhetorical risk with this. It paid off, except perhaps that it conveyed just a hint of desperation.

And then came the waving of the merchant navy flags, the endless, foot-stomping ovations, and the singing of *Land of Hope and Glory*.

Odd, that. Given the burden of Mr Major's speech, we had half expected *Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weeny, Yellow Polka Dot Bikini*. Next year, perhaps?

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RAOUL DIXON



Elizabeth Reay, whose daughter died of leukaemia, said she had pursued the case for the sake of other children

Sellafield cancer families lose battle for damages

BY MICHAEL HORSNELL

TWO families who blamed their children's cancers on their fathers' exposure to radiation at the Sellafield nuclear reprocessing plant yesterday lost their four-year battle for damages against British Nuclear Fuels Ltd (BNFL).

A High Court judge cleared the company of allegations that it was responsible for the death of a ten-month-old girl in 1962 and the infertility of a woman, now 27, through paternal irradiation before conception.

The families broke legal ground by asking the court to decide personal injury claims based on genetic damage passed on by their fathers who worked at the plant.

The ruling by Mr Justice French in a test case that cost up to £10 million, brought gloom to 40 other families waiting to sue BNFL.

In the first test claim, Elizabeth Reay, 73, formerly of Whitehaven, Cumbria, sought damages over the death of her daughter Dorothy, aged ten months, from leukaemia in 1962. Her damages, subject to liability, had been agreed with BNFL at £150,000 for the loss of her daughter and for the mental anguish suffered by her and her husband George, who died from cancer four years ago.

The second claimant was Vivien Hope, 27, of Seascale, Cumbria, who was successfully treated for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, but left partially disabled and infertile. Her father, David, was a fitter at the plant for more than 20 years and in her case damages for personal injury were agreed with BNFL at £125,000, again subject to liability.



Hope: pleased the long fight is over

At the end of the case Mrs Reay said she and Miss Hope brought the case not only for themselves but for other children. "I have to abide by the decision of the judge, but I know in my heart what I think."

Miss Hope said: "I don't know if this fight has been worth it but I'm pleased it's over. I am very disappointed, but I have to accept what the judge says."

Alvin Shuttleworth, legal director of BNFL, said the company was pleased with the judgment but had great sympathy with the families.

He said: "The judgment is clearly an indication that BNFL is not responsible for the instances of leukaemia. We hope that the source of the leukaemia is soon identified. It is regrettable that the resources devoted to these cases could not have been devoted to leukaemia research."

At the centre of the families' claim was a 1990 report by the distinguished epidemiologist, the late Professor Martin Gardner of Southampton University. He examined a cluster of leukaemias in the village of Seascale, two miles from the plant, and found a link between the higher-than-average incidence and fathers who received high doses of radiation while working there.

But the judge ruled that the scientific study into only five cases was unsupported by other studies and had shortcomings which reduced the confidence that could be placed in it. He also ruled that the Gardner study was inconsistent with the huge follow-up study of children of Japanese A-bomb victims at Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which showed no excess of leukaemias in the offspring of irradiated fathers.

BNFL was not accused of legal negligence, but breach of its statutory duty under the Atomic Energy Authority Act not to cause harm to persons or property by radioactive emissions.

The company was formally awarded costs against the legally-aided claimants, but the judge said these would not be enforced.

Martyn Day, solicitor for the two claimants, said after the case: "This was not a judgment to say BNFL was cleared of blame. It was simply that we hadn't been able to prove, on the balance of probabilities, that cancer was caused by emissions in these cases."

Decisions on whether to launch an appeal and whether to press on with other cases were yet to be taken, he said.

☐ The Sellafield trial has broken new ground on several fronts in the civil courts (Frances Gibb writes).

It is thought to have been the most expensive civil action the courts have seen, totalling several million pounds.

The hearings spanned 90 days with evidence taken from more than 30 scientific witnesses. The judgment runs to five box files.

Mr Justice French was given a barrister as a full-time judicial assistant who sat with him; the first time in a civil trial that such an appointment has been made.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Labour rejects MP's shoot-to-kill claim

The Labour leadership has condemned Ken Livingstone's claim that "rogue elements" in the British security forces are conducting an unofficial shoot-to-kill policy in Ulster. A senior party official said: "We dissociate ourselves from what he's saying and we reject what he's doing."

The MP for Brent East made his comments in a court in San Francisco where he is giving evidence in the extradition trial of James Smyth, a suspected member of the IRA. Under cross-examination, Mr Livingstone said: "Any British Member of Parliament will be willing to say, off the record, yes there had been an unofficial shoot-to-kill policy."

Kevin McNamara, the shadow Northern Ireland secretary, said on the *Today* programme on BBC Radio 4 that Mr Livingstone was expressing his personal beliefs and was not speaking on behalf of the Labour party.

Murder plotters jailed

Four Belfast men were each jailed for 25 years by Belfast Crown Court yesterday for plotting to murder Dr Lawrence Kennedy, a former prominent Conservative, at his home in Hollywood, co. Down, nearly two years ago. Francis Maher, 27, John Glennon, 28, John Kennaway, 31, and Damien Morgan, 24, claimed they had only intended robbery.

Phone pest sentenced

A man who terrorised women at night in more than 150 obscene telephone calls from his workplace was put on probation for three years by Southampton magistrates yesterday. Ian Giles, 29, of Southampton, was traced by BT engineers using new detection equipment. After the case, a BT official said he was surprised by the court's leniency.

Sex attacker jailed

A sex attacker who terrorised several of his victims in masked assaults at knifepoint was jailed for 12 years yesterday by Edinburgh High Court. Joseph Devaney, 30, a delivery driver of Nitshill, Strathclyde, admitted 13 offences, including breach of the peace, assault, attempted robbery and assault with intent to rape.

Briton finds US father



A taxi driver from Yorkshire, John Gummer, left, embracing the American father he had never known. Mr Gummer, 48, spent four years tracing Gene Willard of Columbia, a former naval officer stationed in London during the second world war, who had returned to the US not knowing that his 18-year-old girl friend was pregnant.

Smear patients recalled

More than 100 women are being recalled for smear tests in East Sussex. The regional family health services authority has contacted 122 patients, all tested originally by Dr Chandrakant Patel, a GP in Peacehaven. The authority said it understood that Dr Patel had used an inappropriate testing technique since the beginning of 1991.

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Confession 'recorded in secret'

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tea with his uncle and aunt, Stephen and Gaye Newall, at the Dunkeld hotel in Perthshire, unaware that his "chilling revelations were being secretly recorded".

Over tea, Roderick allegedly confessed that he carried the blame for the murders: there were no mitigating circumstances and he said that he had to live with his guilt.

He allegedly told his uncle and aunt that his parents' bodies were wrapped in plastic and camouflaged. His uncle told him that he hoped and prayed Roderick would lead the authorities to the bodies so they could have a decent burial, but he replied that the bodies still bore the remains of clothing which would identify the night of the killings.

It is alleged that the two brothers had a last meal with their parents before the couple were killed at their home. Nicholas Newall, aged 57, a Lloyd's underwriter, had been induced to hire a Ford van which which was parked outside his home. Mr de Silva said the van was to be "his own hearse".

Scientific evidence allegedly showed that Mr Newall was bludgeoned to death in the sitting room and his wife was killed in the master bedroom.

The hearing continues on Monday.

CORRECTION

A photograph in the BTEC supplement (October 4) was of David Maclean, the Home Office minister, not of Tim Boswell MP, as stated. We apologise to both men for the error.

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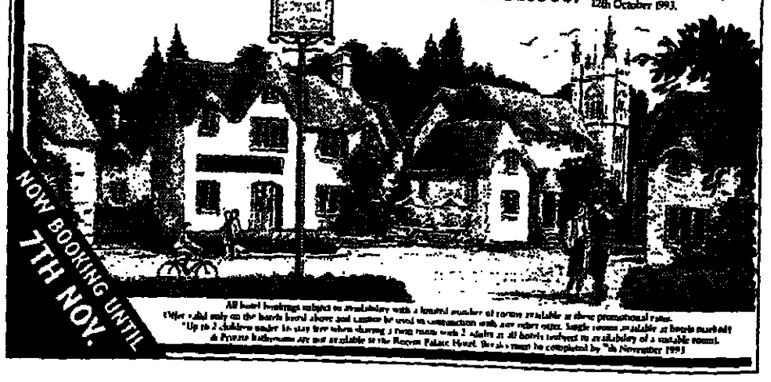
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Killer paedophile found strangled in his prison cell

BY STEWART TENDLER AND RICHARD FORD

INMATES at a top security prison were being questioned last night after a paedophile who was part of a ring that abused and killed three boys was found strangled in his cell.

Leslie Bailey, 40, was serving two life sentences for his role in the deaths of Jason Swift, 14, Barry Lewis, 6, and Mark Tildesley, 7. He was found in his ground-floor cell at Whitemoor prison near March, Cambridgeshire, on Thursday night when officers made their lock-up checks. A makeshift ligature used to throttle him was found in the cell, where his body lay on the bed. There were no signs of a struggle.

Bailey, from Hackney, east London, had been threatened during his time in prison. At Whitemoor, where he was sent last year, he was on a wing reserved for vulnerable prisoners.

Yesterday Det Supt Bob Wordsworth, investigating the death, said: "We are questioning staff and inmates to try to ascertain when he was last seen alive. The possibility of a self-inflicted injury has not been ruled out. I am keeping an extremely open mind about this."

Asked if he felt Bailey's death was a case of rough justice, Mr Wordsworth said: "In my view no one has the right to kill anyone."

Yesterday Mark Tildesley's father John said that if Bailey had been murdered he would congratulate the killer. "A life for a life, as it says in the Bible. That is the way it should be," he said. "We wanted capital punishment for him anyway."

Andrew Barclay, the prison governor, said that Bailey was on his own in a cell during evening association time. Inmates were allowed in and out of the cells. Over the past few months he had been settled but the prison would try to find out whether he had shown suicidal or depressive signs.

Bailey, who was educationally subnormal, was jailed for 15 years in 1989 for trying to choke Jason, a runaway and rentboy who was lured to an orgy at an east London flat in 1985. He was also found guilty of trying to pervert the course of justice by disposing of the child's body. Jason, who had been plied with a muscle relaxant, suffocated while being held down as four men assaulted him. His body was wrapped in a blanket and left under a bush.

In 1991 Bailey was given a life sentence for his part in the murder of Barry, who vanished from the streets where he was playing in south London. He was drugged, stripped and assualted in an orgy. The men thought he was dead and Bailey was sent to bury him. But the child was not dead and when he began to stir, Bailey strangled him and buried his body in a shallow grave.

At the trial Judge Neil Denison told him: "Anyone who listened to what you and others did to this six-year-old child before his death can only have one reaction — a combination of sickness, horror and indeed despair that any human being can sink to these depths."



Bailey: abused and killed boy victims

Last year Bailey received a second life sentence for his part in the killing of Mark Tildesley, 7, who was kidnapped from a fairground near Wokingham, Berkshire. He confessed to his involvement and named two other men but there was insufficient evidence to prosecute them because of Bailey's high level of suggestibility.

One senior detective said that Bailey, a former rent boy, was not the most evil member of the ring. He was a "gofer" who often did the bidding of others.

Bailey was jailed for five years in 1979 for a serious sexual assault on a woman. He was nicknamed "Catweazle" because of his unkempt looks and worked from time to time as a labourer and a security officer.

He was convicted for his part in the child killings after an investigation into the paedophile ring code-named operation Orchid. Yesterday former Det Chief Supt Roger Stoodley, who led the investigation, said: "Should I feel sorry for him? I can't be sorry that he's dead after what he did to children all his life. But in some ways I had respect for him because he was the only one with the guts to stand up and admit what he had done — that was more than the others could do.

"I suppose there should be some compassion for him. Most child abusers have been victims themselves and are simply repeating what has been done to them."



TONY WHITE

Family of the bridegroom: the Queen, Prince Edward, the Queen Mother and the Princess of Wales

Rain spares royal day

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fresh complexion required, but her hair, ringed by a small tiara, was piled in a veritable mountain, which looked from a distance as though she was wearing a crown, or carrying a jar on her head.

She was due at three. All guests, including the Queen and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, were in their pews. Across Parliament Square, Big Ben boomed the hour. A ripple of anxiety shot through congregation and crowd: she had, after all, failed to show at all for her final rehearsal the previous day.

But all was well. At two minutes past her limousine drew up, and she stepped out with her father Viscount Petersham, while dress designer and hairdresser fluttered around. She looked, as well she might, faintly nervous.

It was the end of an hour's glorious entertainment for the crowd, who had thrilled to the parade of exotic creatures entering the church. If there was a fashion trend, it was for calf-length dark skirts split to the thigh, and for truly astonishing hats. Many were early 19th-century, and some were just plain enormous, like the smokestack of an early Union Pacific locomotive.

The royal family, naturally, are above dressing to kill. The Queen was in cyclamen pink and discreetly small hat. The Queen Mother, walking with Prince Edward and the aid of a furled umbrella, but otherwise looking in good fettle, wore apricot and a slightly bigger hat.

Princess Margaret, mother of the bridegroom, accompanied by his father Lord Snowdon, was in crushed burgundy velvet. But the loudest gasps were reserved for Lord Linley's sister, Lady Sarah Armstrong-Jones, who appeared to have walked straight in from the desert in a billowing brilliant white silk suit draped with red and orange scarves.

The couple were married by the Very Rev Michael Mayne, Dean of Westminster, assisted by the Rev Dr Donald Gray, rector of St Margaret's. Prince Edward read from 1 Corinthians on faith, hope and love, and the couple emerged 45 minutes later. Lord Linley grinned, while the new Viscountess Linley, still looking a trifle edgy, managed to shoot him a brief but sparkling smile.

Sitting in the back of 1911 Rolls-Royce, they drove to a reception of champagne and canapés at St James's Palace, followed by the guests. In the evening they left for a honeymoon in Zimbabwe.

Ten minutes after the guests had left the church, the rain began.



Lady Sarah: drew loudest gasps

Bailed car thief dragged woman, 83, to her death

BY JOHN YOUNG

A CAR thief who was on bail and disqualified from driving ran over an 83-year-old woman, dragging her 100 ft to her death, an Old Bailey judge was told yesterday.

The case was heard a day after Carl Sherwood, a 17-year-old car thief, was sentenced to seven years' custody for killing Donna Cooper, 13. A senior police officer predicted yesterday that the sentence would be a significant deterrent to joyriders.

The victim in the latest case, Nancy Joyce of Walworth, south London, who was only 4ft 9in tall, was flung 12 ft into the air by a car driven by Lee Brown. Flesh was ripped from her arms and legs as she was dragged alive along the road.

Brown, 25, of Bermondsey, south London, admitted manslaughter, driving a stolen car and driving while disqualified. He had previous convictions and prison terms for drink-driving, car theft, reckless driving and driving while disqualified. Sentence was deferred until November 12.

Miss Joyce, who was known locally as the Bird Lady, was on her way to feed pigeons when she was hit by the car. The road was covered in birdseed.

Judge Richard Lowry QC was told that after Brown hit Miss Joyce in the stolen VW Polo, he hit another car and drove over Miss Joyce's body. With his engine revving violently, he accelerated away with her trapped under the back wheels. As the car sped down the Old Kent Road, southeast London, Brown and his girl friend, Joanne Plummer, who was a passenger, hid their faces to avoid detection.

After his arrest Brown said the crash happened when he was having a row with Miss Plummer, who wanted him to get her some heroin. "She was screaming at me and driving me mad. I must have been going at 30 to 35mph when suddenly out of nowhere a face of a woman appeared. I heard a real loud scream. I just panicked."

In a statement read to the court, a witness, John Boyle, said: "The woman was walking slowly across the road and had reached about half-way when the Polo went into her. I looked in disbelief as the woman went straight up into the air, about 12 ft. The car collided with a blue Rover. The old woman landed roughly in the centre of the road and I saw the Polo drive away towards where the old lady was now lying.

"She was sideways in the road and the car sped off and, as I watched, it drove over the lady, the wheels going over her chest and ankle. I could see people shouting and screaming 'You're killing her'. I thought there was no way the driver did not know what was happening."

Another witness told police: "The vehicle was swerving from side to side in an effort to dislodge the body."

In the case of Donna Cooper's death, Det Insp Martyn Thomas of West Midlands police said that the killing was finally getting the message across to youngsters that cars were lethal weapons. Car crime in Walsall, where Donna died last January, had fallen by 15 per cent.

"Donna's death has obviously made some youngsters think twice about stealing and driving cars," he said. "The police and society have waited a long time for a judge to come along and speak on behalf of the community, and on this occasion I think he did just that."

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Boy critical after being struck by lightning

A SCHOOLBOY was seriously ill in hospital last night after he was struck by lightning during a hockey match. Another boy and a teacher were also injured.

The boys were playing at Maiden Beach Middle School in Crewkerne, Somerset, in the middle of a storm when a bolt of lightning hit the playing field.

Two boys, aged 11 and 12, and their teacher were thrown to the ground by the blast. They were taken to Yeovil District Hospital by ambulance.

Last night one of the boys was said to be in a serious condition. The other boy and the teacher were "satisfactory" after suffering minor injuries.

An ambulance spokesman said that one boy's heart had stopped as the electric shock knocked him to the ground. He was given mouth-to-mouth resuscitation by school staff and treatment by paramedics.

☐ The steeple of All Saints Church at Eastleigh, Hampshire, crashed to the ground when it was struck by lightning yesterday, sending shoppers running for cover, but no one was hurt.

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Teenage rapist who wrecked victim's life gets seven years

BY A STAFF REPORTER

A WOMAN aged 25 whose life has been wrecked by a teenage rapist watched yesterday as he was sentenced to seven years' detention.

The Oxford graduate was set upon when Michael Brooks, 16, became aroused by her sleeping body as he burgled her home in Streatham, south London. The young drug addict forced a pillow over her head and ignoring her pleas forced himself upon her, the Old Bailey was told.

The victim is still receiving counselling and has had to give up her job as a personal assistant to a senior executive.

She disclosed in a statement made to police that she had to flee the country after the attack. It had left her suffering panic attacks, depression, and being alone. "I cannot lead a normal life any more."

Judge Grigson ordered that the seven-year sentence should run consecutively to the three years imposed on Brooks in July this year for a series of knife-point muggings on the Underground. Since the age of 13, when he was expelled from school, Brooks, of Streatham, south London, has appeared in court nine times. His convictions include driving offences, burglary, a gunpoint robbery, and mugging commuters armed with a knife and broken bottle.

Douglas Moore, for the prosecution, said Brooks broke in while the woman's friend, who was sharing the flat was away.

After rifling through the hurt her but he came over to the bed and placed a pillow over her face and then raped her, Mr Moore said.

Malcolm Chapple, for the defence, said that Brooks had "the most dreadful childhood". He was born in Dallas, Texas, and came to this country at the age of nine. But his parents abandoned him in London and returned to the US. He was taken into care by Lambeth social services.

The victim shook her head and buried her face in her hands as Mr Chapple said that Brooks wanted to publicly apologise to her.

The judge sentenced Brooks to five years for the rape and two years consecutively for three burglary offences and the theft of a BMW car.

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Celebrities support rally to win early release for Krays

BY JOE JOSEPH

HUNDREDS of supporters will this afternoon make their way from Hyde Park to Trafalgar Square to demand the early release of the Kray twins, the former London gangland bosses jailed for life for murder.

The rally is being cheered on by the actresses Barbara Windsor and Patsy Kensit, and the singer Roger Daltrey. They, too, feel that the twins, who were jailed for life in 1969 and are now on the cusp of their 60th birthday, deserve parole.

But the celebrity followers are also convinced that the days of the Krays' style of organised crime were happier than today's disorganised crime. "I can't help feeling that, had they remained free, the London of today would be a safer place," Mike Reid, the *EastEnders* actor said. "During their reign there was no mugging."

And, their backers point out, Reggie and Ronnie committed crimes only against other villains.

The marchers will deliver a petition to 10 Downing Street, urging John Major to reconsider the Krays' incarceration. More than 18,000 signatures have been collected, with more names expected today. Like other famously violent criminals, Reggie and Ronnie receive marriage proposals from strangers, most of them too young to remember the days when the Krays shared champagne with George Raft, Judy Garland, Richard Burton and Diana Dors.

But the signatures scrawled on the petition are unlikely to include those of the victims of the Krays' reign of terror, murder, racketeering and swindling: nor of anyone at the receiving end of one of Ronnie's "cigarette punches", in which he would punch his victims as they opened their mouths to take a proffered ciggy, Ronnie having realised that jaws slightly ajar were easier to break than those clenched tight.

Stephanie King, a grandmother who runs the flourishing Krays Supporters Club from her Nottingham home, is orchestrating today's rally. "Reggie is not menacing, he's not frightening," she insists. "He has paid his debt to society. The IRA put more fear into innocent people than the Krays. The Krays only hurt their own, other villains. It was kill or be killed. I'm not saying Reg Kray is an angel. But he's not the devil either."

Mrs King sniffs at talk that the Krays are smart self-publicists who have made a mint from a cottage industry administered from their prison cells: there are books, films, videos and T-shirts. "They gave the money away to charity," she says, explaining that the reason nobody is aware of this altruism is that "the charities were told not to say that the Krays gave it to them".



Bridget Cunningham taunts the family with a tail and Nazi salute

Jewish family wins case against racists

BY LIN JENKINS

A JEWISH family was awarded £7,500 compensation yesterday against neighbours who subjected them to a three-year campaign of systematic racist abuse and harassment.

Uxbridge County Court was told that Daniel Israel, his wife Ann and children Claire, 10, and Frances, 7, had been repeatedly spied upon, threatened and subjected to racist insults. Neighbours taunted them by hanging a pig's tail and union flags on their washing line in full view of their home.

Mr Israel, 45, a photographer, began his legal action against his elderly neighbours in Heath Gardens, Twickenham, west London, when they took him to court seeking damages for the nuisance caused by a two-metre high fence that he had erected to protect his family.

He accused Bridget Cunningham and her brothers Robert and Peter Bodsworth and her common-law husband Michael Pocock of spying on his family and staring into the house.

Mr Israel said that after his family had hung net curtains at the house, Peter Bodsworth climbed on his van to look inside. When the Israels erected the high fence, a 12ft section was knocked down.

Both children were said to have been sprayed with insecticide and subjected to obscenities. Mrs Cunningham taunted them, shouting across the garden: "Your daddy is a yellow belly. Your daddy is a coward." She also hung on her washing line a succession of pig tails that she had obtained from a local abbatoir.

Mrs Cunningham told the court that all the allegations were untrue. Her claim for damages was not heard because of legal technicalities, but she said that she would appeal.

Judge Barry Green QC said he accepted that the behaviour was based partly on anti-semitism. He condemned their "appalling conduct" and said that he was making the award of £7,500 and £900 interest "for the upset, distress and humiliation" suffered by the Israels. He also granted an injunction preventing the four from continuing to harass the family.

Mr Israel told the court: "My family has met with incident after incident of abuse from their neighbours over the years touching on just about every aspect of our lives, including car parking, the side access way, noise, building work, the state of our property, refuse disposal, our children, anti-semitism and the current issue, which is the boundary fence."

Afterwards he said that he saw no reason why he should be driven from his own home. "All of them are quite prepared to leave you with the impression that they are deranged. It has been absolutely dreadful. We live in a state of apprehension as to what will happen next."

NEWS IN BRIEF

RAF must pay mother

A second former RAF woman won compensation from the defence ministry yesterday after being discharged for becoming pregnant.

Deborah Miller, 38, a former aerospace systems operator, of Nafferton, Humberside, claimed £67,000. An industrial tribunal at Croydon, south London, will tell her in two weeks how much she will get. Last month Jacqui Thornber, an ex-RAF medical assistant, was awarded £22,000 for a similar claim.

About 4,500 women are waiting for their cases to be heard after the European Court of Justice lifted an £11,000 limit on sex discrimination awards to public employees.

Lawyer appeals

Angus Diggle, 37, of Bolton, Greater Manchester, jailed for three years for the attempted rape of a fellow solicitor after taking her to a ball, is to appeal against the conviction.

Barn fire case

Maurice Bland, 56, whose address was given as Rudgate prison, near Wetherby, West Yorkshire, was remanded in custody by Harrogate magistrates accused of starting a fire that destroyed a barn, straw and farm machinery.

Squat order

The Sultan of Brunei, Sir Muda Hassanal Bolkiah, won a High Court order evicting ten squatters from his £1 million house in Kensington.

Police hunt father and daughter, 2

BY PAUL WILKINSON

POLICE have launched an international search for a little girl who was dressed as Alice in Wonderland when she was abducted by her father in defiance of a court order.

Phillip Mateus left Britain on Thursday night with his two-year-old daughter Laura, bound for the former Portuguese colony of Goa on the west coast of India. He had taken the child from her mother's home at Blyth, Northumberland, saying he was taking her to a fancy dress party.

Laura's mother contacted police when she did not return after eight hours. Lorraine Beattie, Laura's grandmother, said: "My daughter is beside herself. We don't think Laura is in any danger and we believe her dad loves her, but we desperately want her back, the sooner the better."

A family court recently granted Laura's mother, Deborah Beattie, custody of the girl and forbade Mr Mateus, who also lives in Blyth, from taking her out of the country.

Last night, detectives confirmed that Mr Mateus, 30, and Laura had boarded a flight from Gatwick for a two-week trip to Goa, travelling with Mr Mateus's first wife, Angela, and their three young children, who also live in Northumberland.

Det Sgt Keith Alexander said: "Laura's mother is distressed and very distraught. We are making enquiries through travel agents to try to find exactly where they have gone."



Race is on to be first to drive to New York

BY KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

THE first car through the Channel tunnel will not stop in France but travel thousands of miles around the globe in the first attempted London to New York run by road.

A team of Ford cars ferried through the tunnel later this year is likely to be the first of a line of convoys trying to make the same overland journey without the help of ships or planes.

In a challenge that smacks of the film *The Great Race*, a Canadian-Russian team has declared it wants to be first around the globe, although it is still seeking sponsors.

Ford will be providing Mondeo cars and Maverick four-wheel-drive support vehicles for the 15,500-mile route. The team will leave London on December 30 for Folkestone, where the vehicles will be loaded onto Channel tunnel trains.

From Calais, the convoy will drive to Paris, Brussels, Berlin and Warsaw before the trudge across Russia through Novosibirsk and the wastes of Siberia to the Bering Straits, where the six drivers have to gamble that the winter is deep enough to have frozen the strip of water that separates Siberia from Alaska.

The convoy will then cross Alaska heading for Detroit, stopping at Ford's Dearborn headquarters before going on to New York, which it expects to reach by about Easter.

The journey, the brainchild of Richard Creasey, chairman of the East West Creative Association, will be filmed and broadcast in eight programmes for ITV.

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Divorce hits families harder than death

BY JEREMY LAURANCE
SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

■ Evidence is growing that the effects on children of divorce begin long before marital breakdown and extend well into later life

THE damage to children caused by marital conflict occurs long before divorce and persists long after it, according to British and American surveys.

The studies show that years before parents separate there are clear differences in their children: they perform less well at school and have more behavioural problems than the children of unbroken families.

Dr Kathleen Kiernan, of the Department of Population Studies at the London School of Economics, said: "Divorce is a process that starts long before the separation itself occurs. It is what goes on in families that is important."

Speaking yesterday in London at a conference on young people and divorce organised by the Trust for the Study of Adolescence, Dr Kiernan said that the effects on children of marital breakdown extended far into adulthood. "Evidence is beginning to accrue which suggests that children from lone-parent families and particularly step families are more likely to leave home at a young age and for negative reasons, such as conflict and friction."

Children of divorced parents did less well at school, had lower incomes and less prestigious occupations. But, Dr Kiernan said, it was impossible to say whether it was the divorce or the marital conflict that led to the children's difficulties, because there were no data available on families who continued to live in conflict but did not break up. The poverty associated with divorce could not explain all the differences.

Dr Kiernan, who has analysed findings from the National Child Development Study of 11,000 children born in 1958 and now aged 35, said that children who lost a parent through death did not underperform in the same way as children who lost a parent through divorce. "It is easier to maintain a family and social support network after a death than it is after a divorce," she said.

Jan Walker, director of the Family and Community Dispute Research Centre in Newcastle upon Tyne, said that most fathers struggled hard to maintain their relationship with their children after divorce but were sometimes defeated by overwhelming odds. In a study of 91 fathers, the centre found that three quarters had maintained contact with their children and were paying maintenance five years after divorce.

"We did not find a single father who had given up on his children because he didn't care," Ms Walker said. "Some did give up, but only after a tremendous struggle. Divorce is not a happy time and if there is ongoing bitterness and conflict it is hard to maintain contact."

Asiatic invaders' eating habits threaten British woodland flowers

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The innocent appearance of the muntjac belies the threat it poses to the survival of wild flowers and native deer

BY NICK NUTTALL
ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

SOME of Britain's best-loved woodland flowers, including bluebells and primroses, are at risk from a four-legged Asiatic invader that is spreading at an alarming rate.

Scientists fear that the muntjac deer, introduced into Woburn at the turn of the century by the 11th Duke of Bedford, is undermining the ecology of woodlands across the Home Counties. They have found that up to 98 per cent of bluebells and 50 per cent of primroses disappear from a forest where muntjac roam unchecked.

It may also be challenging native species of deer such as roe. Sightings have recently been made as far west as Pembrokeshire and as far north as the Scottish border.

The threat from the muntjac, whose numbers have swollen to an estimated 100,000 since the escape of deer from parks, will be discussed at a conference in Cambridge today.

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Gorbachev tours in Bolshoi's footsteps

BY ALISON ROBERTS, ARTS REPORTER

THE Mikhail Gorbachev lecture tour is to be brought to Britain by the impresarios who imported the Bolshoi Ballet and the Moscow State Circus.

Billed as "The man who changed the world", the former Soviet president will arrive in the UK just seven days before the Russian elections on December 12.

He will spend five days giving lectures across the UK, in addition to meeting John Major, Paddy Ashdown and John Smith. It is thought likely that he will also meet Lady Thatcher, the former Speaker Lord Weatherill and the former leader of the Labour party Neil Kinnock.

The recently finalised tour will be managed by two promoters at First Artist who specialise in theatrical and sports events and leaflets publicising the visit will employ the same promotional techniques.

Victoria Charlton, former head of Entertainment Corporation, which brought the Bolshoi and Kirov ballets to Britain, said: "His tour will be a military operation. Time is so tight, he will be spending little more than two hours in one place." Mr Gorbachev and his wife Raisa will travel in a private aeroplane.

Some of Mr Gorbachev's audiences will be by invitation only, but tickets for the open lectures will be priced at £250 a head and holders will be invited to submit questions in advance. The former president will visit Aberdeen, Edinburgh — where he will give the Lothian Lecture — Bristol, Oxford and London. A date in Cardiff is under negotiation.

The lecture tour has already covered large parts of the world, raising funds for the Gorbachev Foundation in Moscow, committed to medical and educational advancement in the former Soviet Union. Mr Gorbachev's most recent tour, of Italy, was cut short at the end of September when Boris Yeltsin dissolved the Russian parliament.

☐ For information about tickets, contact First Artist on 081-900 1818.

Credo

Roman road is long and narrow

Hugh Montefiore

Many people think that the encyclical *Veritatis Splendor* is full of arguments against artificial contraception and other sexual "intrinsic evils". In fact it is a serious if somewhat prolix treatise on moral theology. As it says: "This is the first time that the Magisterium of the Church has set forth in detail the fundamental elements of this teaching." This makes for tough reading, which is perhaps why some reports have concentrated on its sexual teaching, although in fact the encyclical gives as much attention to social evil.

There is much in its 179 pages that most Anglicans will wish warmly to applaud, not least its religious framework and biblical basis, with its constant theme of the rich young ruler who asked: "What must I do to be saved?" They will also warm to the seriousness with which moral choices are invested and its insistence on objective ethical norms in a supermarket world where people choose those moral principles which suit them subjectively. The vital importance of the morality of an act, as well as the intention of the agent and the probable consequences of the action, is well emphasised. There is much here that is splendidly written and urgently needed in today's world and today's Church.

Yet most Anglicans will have great difficulty with many points. There seems to be no room for change in ethical thinking. All moral truth, it affirms, stands revealed in scripture and tradition.

There is no idea of the Holy Spirit leading us into greater apprehension of the truth. Lip service is paid to the behavioural sciences as well as an individual's circumstances, but these never justify transgressing traditional ethical norms. Most Anglicans disagree. "Intrinsic evils", defined of course by the Magisterium, are always to be avoided, we are told. But what about those many situations where we have to choose not between black and white but between two shades of grey, so that what is objectively wrong may become for us subjectively right? Moral judgments can be complex and difficult. Despite its fine discussion of freedom and law, the encyclical wrongly assumes that Christians are always interiorly free to carry out a right moral choice.

Anglicans will blink at the assurance and (as they may see it) the arrogance with which the Roman Magisterium can lay down the truth about the natural law, even in the face of opposition from its own moral theologians, especially over sexual matters about which there can be no experience. Conscience is held to be erroneous if it conflicts with the truth thus laid down. Anglicans however, with a different view of authority, find themselves enriched by a limited pluralism. So the insistence by the Roman Magisterium on acceptance of one single absolutist ethic, with internal as well as external assent, appears to them not so much authoritative as authoritarian.

☐ *Dr Hugh Montefiore is a former Bishop of Birmingham.*

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THE TIMES WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Short hope vanishes in cold light of day

BY DANIEL JOHNSON AND RAYMOND KEENE

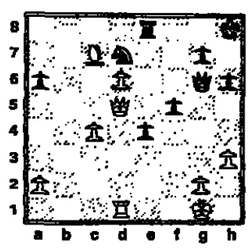
AGONY and ecstasy in equal measure marked Nigel Short's latest attempt to defeat Garry Kasparov in the 14th game of *The Times* World Chess Championship, as the British challenger missed what appeared to be a fleeting opportunity to win and was later "fortunate" to draw.

White: Nigel Short
Black: Garry Kasparov
Sicilian Defence

1	e4	c5
2	Nf3	d6
3	d4	cxd4
4	Nxd4	Nf6
5	Nc3	a6
6	Bc4	e6
7	Bb3	Nc6
8	Be3	Be7
9	f4	0-0
10	0-0	Nxd4
11	Bxd4	b5
12	e5	dxe5
13	fxe5	Nd7
14	Ne4	Bb7
15	Nd6	Bxd6
16	exd6	Qg5

Black is threatening ... Qxg2 checkmate, and the long-range possibility of advancing his central and kingside pawns for counterattack.

17	Qe2	e5
18	Bc3	Qg6
19	Rad1	Kh8
20	Bd5	Bxd5
21	Rxd5	Qe6
22	Rfd1	Rfc8
23	Ba5	Rc6
24	b3	Rac8
25	Bc7	Re8
26	c4	bxc4
27	bxc4	f5
28	h3	h6
29	Qc2	e4
30	Qe4	Rc5
31	Rxc5	Nxc5
32	Qc6	Nd7
33	Qd5	Qg8



34 Qd2

After the game Kasparov claimed that Short could have won with 34 c5. After overnight analysis he said that, in fact, he was never losing.

Kasparov's new variations constitute some of the most fascinating positions seen in chess analysis. "After 34 c5 my only defence is 34 ... Re5 35 Qa8+ Kh7 36 c6 and now not 36 ... Rc5 as I originally suggested, but 36 ... Rb5!!

"When my rook penetrates Short's second rank, the invasion must occur on b2 not c2, so that I can reserve the c2-square for further penetration by my queen. After 36 ... Rb5 Short cannot play 37 cxd7, e.g. 37 ... Rb2 38 g4 fxg4 39 Qe8 Qf5 40 Rf1 Qc5+ 41 Kh1 Qc2 and Short cannot avoid being checkmated.

"Alternatively 37 cxd7 Rb2 38 g4 fxg4 39 Qe8 Qf5 40 Qg8+ Kxg8 41 d8/Q+ Kh7 42 Qh4 Qf3 and I win. Finally 37 cxd7 Rb2 38 g4 fxg4 39 Qe8 Qf5 40 Qf8 Qxf8 41 Rf1 Qg8 42 d8/Q Qxa2 (threatening ... Rh2) 43 d7 gxh3 (threatening ... Rg2+) 44 Qh8+ Kxh8 45 d8/Q+ Kh7. Because of the threat of 46 ... Rg2+ 47 Kh1 Rh2+ 48 Bxh2 Qg2 mate, White must play 46 Qd6 but then 46 ... Rg2+ 47 Kh1 Rg6 (threatening ... Qg2 mate) 48 Qh2 Qg2+ 49 Qxg2 hxg2+ and Black wins.

"So, would Nigel Short have been lost after 34 c5? No. The position is still a draw. Therefore 34 c5 Re5 35 Qa8+ Kh7 36 c6 Rb5 and now not 37 cxd7 which loses, but 37 Qxa6 Rb2 38 Qf1 f4 39 cxd7 (only now) 39 ... f3 40 g4 (not 40 d8/Q Rxg2+ 41 Kh1 Qg3 when I win. Short's advantage of two queens is not important, because they cannot be activated immediately) 40 ... Qf6 41 d8/Q. 41 ... f2+ 42 Kh2 Qf4+ 43 Kg2 Qf3+ 44 Kh2 Qxd1 so I am the one who is trying to win, but now Short could make a perpetual check draw with 45 Qf8 Qxf1 46 Qf5+."

34	...	Re5
35	Qe3	Qe6

Kasparov: "I should have played 35 ... Qf7."

36	Rc1	Rc5
37	Rc2	Kg8
38	e4	Kf7
39	Qf2	e3

Draw agreed

CHRIS HARRIS



Kasparov and his aides keep up the pressure with analysis between games

Kasparov checked in the park

BY ROBIN YOUNG

GARRY Kasparov was checked twice this week, by police in Regent's Park, central London, while taking late-night walks with grandmaster Alexander Beliavsky, his main assistant in *The Times* world chess championship.

Mr Kasparov and Mr Beliavsky have been in the habit of entering the park for a mind-clearing stroll late at night, when it is closed, through an emergency exit gate close to Mr Kasparov's flat.

At about 11pm on Thursday, after his draw with Nigel Short in game 14 of their championship match, Mr Kasparov was challenged by a policeman for the second night running.

He says that he was threatened with arrest but the police deny that. A spokesman said: "We would not really arrest Mr Kasparov just for being in the park, but if we find him there again, he will definitely be chucked out again."

After the challenge Mr Kasparov extricated himself with as much facility as he has so far eluded Nigel Short's attacks on the chessboard. He left the park.

Otters bypass danger

BY NICK NUTTALL
ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

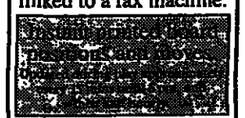
SPECIAL underpasses for otters are to be built in parts of the West Country, it was disclosed yesterday.

The plan, echoing schemes for frogs and other wildlife, is orchestrated by the National Rivers Authority (NRA). It follows evidence that in some parts of England substantial numbers of otters are killed by cars.

A pilot project on the A39 by the River Avill at Dunster, Somerset, significantly reduced the number of animals killed or injured.

This is National Otter Weekend, designed to highlight the near extinction of the otter from England since the 1950s and ways in which their plight can be improved. The activities, co-ordinated by the Royal Society for Nature Conservation, includes the release of three otters into a secret location in Hampshire.

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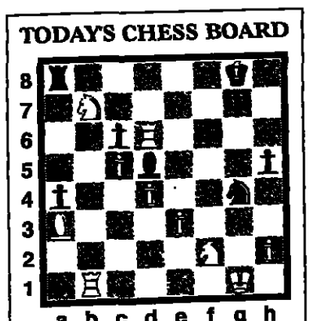
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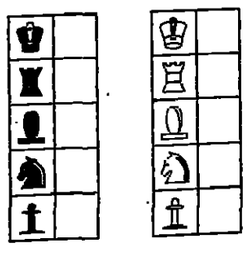
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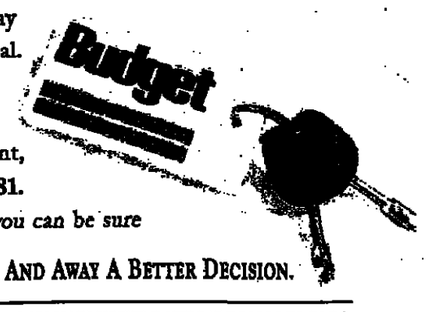
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A party eager for that old-time religion gladly embraces its revivalist preacher

RIDDELL ON POLITICS

John Major survives. His speech yesterday, his most relaxed and, in parts, most effective as party leader, has bolstered his immediate position. But he has only bought time. Recovery is still some way away. Most questions about the future direction of the party have been left open.

For the moment the Tories are united: the more vocal dissenters were silent this week. But it has been a nervous, rather than a self-confident, harmony.

The party is frightened of the damage done by public disunity, it does not want another leadership upheaval, it likes Mr Major and it hopes his policies will in time succeed.

The shadow of Baroness Thatcher has diminished this week. She is respected for what she was and did, not for what she is and says now. The leaks in the *Daily Mirror* about her book, *The Downing Street Years*, may have reduced the potential damage from her memoirs. Yesterday, Mr Major was able to get away with gently mocking her criticism of cabinet colleagues.

What the party rank-and-file has wanted is reassurance about what makes them Conservatives and distinguishes them from Labour and the Liberal Democrats. They have been eager for the old-time religion. Mr Major's appeal for a return to basics — to traditional values, family responsibility, grammar and spelling and crime-free streets — has struck a deep chord.

His speech was more notable for its tone and style than its substance. Like the man it was distinctly non-ideological. It was less a protest against the permissive society and the 1960s, which, unlike some Thatcherite ministers, he hardly mentioned. It was more an invocation of an earlier age, the world of *Picture Post* and Ealing comedies, a time when Surrey always won the county cricket championship, an era of black-and-white films rather than Technicolor blockbusters. It reflected the man-in-the-street approach which underpins the citizen's charter.

The Tory right has celebrated the emphasis on basic values and the warm reception given to Wednesday's speeches by Michael Howard and Peter Lilley as a shift in their direction. But that may apply to conference rhetoric rather to the realities of what happens at Westminster and the forthcoming decisions over the Budget.

Mr Major carefully balanced a promise that "high income tax is not part of this party's programme" with pledges that pensioners would not have to pay for prescriptions and would still be able to use post offices, and that there would be no charges for visiting doctors or staying in hospitals. In his eyes, there are clear limits to rolling back the state.

Yet the Tory left is uneasy, in particular over Europe. Their fear is that Mr Major is appeasing the Euro-sceptics too much.

Yesterday he defined the Conservative approach to next year's Euro-elections in terms of what the party is against rather than what it is for: the only party not prepared to move towards a centralised/federal Europe. That may help a counter-attack against the Liberal Democrats in the South West but, as Sir Christopher Prout, the leader of the Tory MEPs, warned the conference yesterday, a negative emphasis could rebound on the Tories, as it did in 1989.

Mr Major offered reassuring themes to reinforce the Tories' instinctive desire to stick together at a time of trouble. That is necessary now. But it is not sufficient. Like the other parties, the Tories have yet to develop and articulate a convincing post-Thatcher agenda about the role of the state in the economy or the organisation of public services. At present, it is still the politics of party management.

PETER RIDDELL

Major calls for a return to traditional British values

BY SHEILA GUNN, NICHOLAS WOOD AND JILL SHERMAN

CONSERVATIVES IN BLACKPOOL



JOHN Major caught the mood of the Conservative party conference yesterday by embracing a right-wing agenda founded on traditional social values, low taxation and a robust defence of British interests in Europe.

After a week in which the so-called cabinet bastards, Michael Howard, Peter Lilley and Michael Portillo, had delighted representatives with fierce restatements of the populist approach of the 1980s, the prime minister gave his seal of approval to a "return to the old core values". He reached back to a more tranquil Britain than the one he has inherited.

He told the conference: "It is time to return to our roots ... I believe that what this country needs is not less Conservatism. It is more Conservatism of the traditional kind that made us join this party."

Mr Major dealt neatly with the furore surrounding Baroness Thatcher's memoirs and speculation about his own position by joking: "I am not about to write my memoirs; not for a long time."

He had a firm rebuke for the malcontents in Tory ranks, but chose his words carefully for fear of rekindling the bitter arguments of the past few weeks. He told the conference: "Like all families, from time to time we have our squabbles. But our party has served our country in government more often and better than any other democratic political party in the world.

The party could withstand unpopularity, controversy and setbacks. "But there is one thing that demoralises our workers and breaks apart our support in the country and that is disunity. "Disunity leads to Opposition."

Differences were inevitable but they should be aired behind closed doors ... I believe I have the right as leader of this party to hear those disagreements in private and not in television interviews."

Mr Major also announced tougher laws to crack down "on the loathsome trade in pornography". Possession of child pornography would become an imprisonable offence.

Mr Major tilted to the right with a reaffirmation of traditional values in areas such as crime, education and the family. But he offered few new ideas about how he would turn back the clock.

"For two generations too many people have been belittling the things that made this country ... We have listened too often and too long to people whose ideas are light years away from commonsense," he said.

Schooling, family life and law and order had all been casualties. On all these things received opinion was wrong. We must have the courage to stand up and say so.

"It is time to get back to basics: to self-discipline and respect for the law, to consideration for others, to accepting responsibility for yourself and your family, and not shuffling it off on the state."

Mr Major had a blunt message for the French farmers over their opposition to an agreement in the Gatt world trade talks: "You are playing with fire, or to put it more bluntly — get your tractors off our lawn."

Recovery was steadily under way, he said, and encouraging trends in inflation and sales added up to an "opportunity cocktail" for firms. "You may not see it yet, but it is growing."

He dropped a strong hint that the November Budget would not include increases in direct taxation, while leaving the door open to increases in VAT. "Other parties tax in union influence in the Labour party and the promise of a huge increase in union power if there was a Labour government.

"One small step for the Buddha: one giant leap for the Bruddahs." Brighton was simply Mr Smith's Munich.

Mr Major also sought to nail opposition "scares". There would be no charges for visiting the doctor or staying in hospital. There would be no prescription charges for pensioners or an end to collection of pensions from post offices.

He bowed to the Euro-sceptic wing of his party by promising that the Tories would fight on a "clear and distinct manifesto" in next June's elections to the European parliament.

Alluding to his damaging and painful struggle with the Tory rebels to accept the Maastricht treaty as the price of continuing British influence in Brussels, Mr Major said: "I have risked and sacrificed more than most for what I so passionately believe in — a strong Britain playing a leading role in a strong and growing Europe." The Tory vision was one of an "independent, confident Britain giving leadership in Europe", but nationhood would not be lost.

He defended the government's scheme for "pencil and paper" tests in the classroom. It was "claptrap" to object to teaching children Shakespeare and classics.

Mr Major reaffirmed his support for President Yeltsin and defended himself against Paddy Ashdown's taunts over his "appeasement" in the war in Bosnia. It was all very well to call from the sidelines for a huge military commitment to Bosnia but he had listened to his senior military men. To intervene on that scale would risk an intolerable number of British deaths. "I will not rush into war in order to look good on television."

Mr Major gave a categorial assurance to the people of Northern Ireland that they would determine their own future. "We are not going to bargain away the people's democratic rights, or any part of them, in order to appease those who seek to rule by bomb and bullet." The terrorists would have to forsake violence for ever if they were to be admitted to negotiations.

Mr Major was given an 11-minute standing ovation.

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BARRY GREENWOOD



Norma Major and senior cabinet ministers show their approval after the prime minister's speech yesterday



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Boost for straight talking

BY SHEILA GUNN
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major dug his heels in over yesterday's speech. No teleprompters, he insisted.

The prime minister has long loathed reading his speech off those two strategically placed pieces of glass on sticks. The idea is that you can appear to be looking at your audience when, in fact, you are reading the text.

Although teleprompters have a long history in the United States, the first time political aides recall their use in Britain was in President Reagan's Guildhall speech in the mid-1980s. They quickly caught on until all main party leaders adopted the device for keynote speeches.

Their disadvantage is the hint of artificiality, the glassy stare and a tendency for speakers to turn their heads from side to side rather than look directly at their audience.

At Blackpool this week Douglas Hurd and Malcolm Rifkind went down warmly with the party faithful after dispensing with them, Kenneth Clarke, who did not, was regarded as leaden.

But the idea that a present-day prime minister will deliver a 40-minute speech totally impromptu is ludicrous. Mr Major, with a team of five advisers and input from other ministers, has been working for weeks on the text.

'Blood will flow' as Clarke squeezes ministers' budgets

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND NICHOLAS WOOD

SPENDING

KENNETH Clarke has mounted a war of attrition against senior members of the cabinet in a sustained effort to slash billions of pounds from the defence, roads, urban regeneration and local council budgets.

The Chancellor has decided to summon ministers to meetings of the EDX cabinet spending committee every day next week in an attempt to wear down determined opposition to his plans to make deep cuts in some budgets in order to meet targets for the next three years.

Mr Clarke has already declared that there is "blood on the floor" in the committee that he chairs. "Next week it will start seeping out from under the door," a senior government source said last night.

Malcolm Rifkind, the defence secretary, and John MacGregor, the transport secretary, are prominent in the line of fire. Mr Rifkind is understood to have warned the Treasury that cuts of the kind being demanded would mean he would have to review some defence commitments. Mr MacGregor's capital programme, including some long-awaited new roads and by-passes, are believed to be under threat.

Peter Lilley, the social security secretary, is believed to be resisting proposals for cuts in a range of benefits. John Gummer, the environment secretary, appeared before EDX last week and is believed to be fighting demands for a tight local government settlement pushing up council tax bills. One danger is that a change in the way of calculating local authority grants is likely to hit the London boroughs only weeks before next May's elections. Another dismal showing would increase the pressure on John Major's leadership.

Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, also put her case to EDX last week. She is said to be close to agreeing cuts in her programme. "Gillian won't be making trouble. She backs tight spending controls," one minister said.



Rifkind: prominent in the line of fire

At the same time it is clear that once again the Treasury is eyeing the possibility of cutting back mortgage tax relief. Any suggestion of the relief being scrapped was ruled out yesterday by senior ministers, who said that the government could not betray the manifesto commitment to maintain it. But in the search for savings the Treasury is keen to look at options for reducing its £4.3 billion cost.

Already it has been reduced. From 1994-5 relief will be granted only at the lowest 20 per cent rate of tax on interest paid up to the £30,000 ceiling for mortgages. Options to be looked at by the Inland Revenue are believed to be the possibility of putting a time-limit on the availability of relief, or restricting it to first-time borrowers.

Treasury officials make it plain that the options are considered virtually every year and there is no certainty of any of them being adopted.

If the defence cuts are insisted upon by the EDX, Mr Rifkind will have no alternative but to ask for a full-scale defence review, certain to provoke a Tory backbench storm.

The education and health budgets also face a squeeze, particularly for the third year of the review, 1996-7.

Blackpool relaxes nervous Tories

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY

DELEGATES

THEY arrived in Blackpool in varying states of trepidation and left relieved and comforted by a new-found sense of unity and a return to core Tory values.

Tories headed home last night confident that their party, and their leader, had not only turned the corner, but also the right one. There was contentment, rather than euphoria, among constituency association chairmen forming a grassroots opinion panel for *The Times*. But after pre-conference worries of rifts, leadership challenges and electoral failures, contentment was enough.

"That was what we needed. The party has united and the leader has matured," said Philip Winter, chairman of Orpington association. "If it had gone wrong, it would have been disastrous for John Major. It didn't and that should end the talk of leadership challenges."

The week's vigorous exchange of views between ministers on the party's right and left was a "lessening of tension", not a damaging split, according to Richard Pinhorn, the Isle of Wight association chairman. But internal debate had been overshadowed by Mr Major's assertion of authority. "He has set a clear direction this year, on crime, Gatt, and the basic Conservative values we believe in."

But there was a note of scepticism from Margaret Bates, chairman of Batley and Spen association, West Yorkshire. "I'm delighted by the words we've heard this week. But we will sit, watch and wait to see if they are matched by action, particularly on crime," she said.

After being upstaged last year by Lord Tebbit, Mr Major had reclaimed the glory this week, said Steven Pugsley, chairman of the Taunton association. "That was the pinnacle of the week. He pulled together all the strands of the week, on Conservative values, crime and Europe. It was important that he finished off the job that cabinet ministers had started in their speeches. He did that and he showed he was the leader."

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Multiracial right-wing pact threatens democracy talks

BY MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

New York: The United Nations General Assembly, responding to an appeal by Nelson Mandela, president of the African National Congress, decided yesterday to remove all the remaining sanctions except for the mandatory arms embargo (James Bone writes). The 184-nation assembly agreed without a vote to lift all financial and economic restrictions immediately because "the transition to democracy has now been enshrined in the law in South Africa". The repeal paves the way for an infusion of much-needed investment.

JUST as the negotiations for non-racial democracy in South Africa seemed to have entered the last lap with agreement on legislation for an interim constitution expected next month, the black homelands and the white right wing have combined to try to bring the multiparty talks to a halt.

The governments of the self-governing territory of KwaZulu, and the so-called independent states of Bophuthatswana and Ciskei have linked themselves with the Afrikaner Volksfront to form the Freedom Alliance.

The Volksfront is an umbrella organisation of right-wingers which includes the Conservative Party and the Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB), and is led by four retired generals including General Constand Viljoen, the former defence chief.

The governments of Bophuthatswana and Ciskei announced that they were pulling out of the multiparty discussions at the World Trade Centre in Kempton Park outside Johannesburg.

The statement on the formation of the alliance said the move had been made "in order to join a more inclusive process made possible by a single united negotiating team at all future negotiations with other parties". It added: "In view of this, all Freedom Alliance members have also terminated all bilateral negotiations with the government and the African National Congress."

The ANC reacted sharply, pointing to the internal tensions in such an organisation, which like the Concerned South Africans Group from which it sprang, linked black nationalists with white racists.

President de Klerk was more cautious, saying: "The government welcomes the new alliance's willingness to enter into discussions with it. Ultimately, all negotiations must lead to agreements, of which all significant parties will be part. The government's discussions with the new alliance will be directed toward this objective."

The white right wing and the Inkatha Freedom Party of Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, chief minister of KwaZulu, are already boycotting the Kempton Park talks, because they say they are being railroaded by the ANC and the government. The two black homelands have remained because they had hoped to maintain something of their "independence" in the end.

Those hopes were plainly shattered this week by two statements. First Nelson Mandela, the ANC president, declared that there would be not further concessions on federalism, and second, Cyril Ramaphosa, the ANC secretary-general, demanded that the citizens of all the black homelands be allowed to take part in next year's elections. Bophuthatswana and Ciskei have stated that they will plan referendums once they obtain a satisfactory constitutional settlement at the talks.

In Umtata, the capital of the so-called independent black homeland of Transkei, five children were allegedly killed by South African troops during a raid on a supposed base of the Azanian People's Liberation Army (Apla), the armed wing of the Pan Africanist Congress of Azania (PAC).

The PAC called for the immediate confinement to barracks of South African troops under international supervision until a transfer to democracy. Kobie Coetsee, the defence minister, said that the raid was approved by Mr de Klerk and other senior ministers. He said it was a pre-emptive strike which "in all likelihood disrupted Apla plans for further attacks".



President Clinton, watched by his wife, Hillary, shaking hands with the blind musician Ray Charles at the White House after awarding him the 1993 National Medal of Arts for his contribution to American cultural life

NEWS IN BRIEF

Pakistani rivals seek coalition partners

Islamabad: Benazir Bhutto began assembling a coalition yesterday to stake her claim as Pakistan's prime minister. However, analysts and potential investors despaired at the election of a hung parliament and were left pondering how long it would enable a government to last (Christopher Thomas writes).

Independent MPs and members of small parties could wreck Miss Bhutto's chances of taking power, but probably will not. Her Pakistan People's Party captured 86 seats in the 217-seat National Assembly, against 72 for Mian Nawaz Sharif's Muslim League. Both leaders were yesterday telephoning many of the same MPs to tempt them into an alliance. The process will continue for more than a week before the assembly chooses a prime minister.

Much money will change hands in the meantime. Mr Sharif, backed by businessmen and rich in his own right, has more to distribute than Miss Bhutto. The odds are, however, still against him coming to power.

Aid suspended

Sarajevo: The United Nations suspended the evacuation of sick and wounded from Bosnia as it reported that fighting between all three combatants there was reaching a "disturbing" level. *(Reuter)*

FBI cleared

Washington: The Justice Department and the FBI bear no responsibility for the fiery end to the Waco cult siege in which 85 people died, according to an official report that blamed David Koresh, the cult leader. *(AFP)*

Mafia sentence

Palermo: Salvatore "Toto" Riina, a Mafia godfather, was jailed for life by an Italian court for ordering the murder of two rivals. Riina was captured in January after 25 years on the run. *(Reuter)*

Actress warned

Los Angeles: The actress Kim Basinger, who filed for bankruptcy after being ordered to pay a film company £5 million for breach of contract, has been given 30 days by a judge to come up with a payment plan. *(Reuter)*

Gotti plea fails

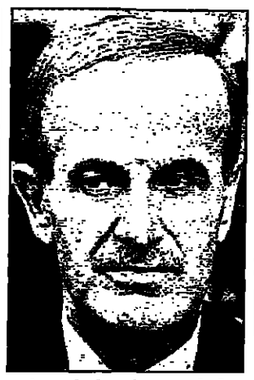
New York: A federal appeals court upheld the murder and racketeering convictions of mobster John Gotti and refused a request for a new trial. Gotti, once known as the "Teflon Don", was jailed for life last year. *(Reuter)*

Dishes banned

Peking: China, seeking to hold back a tide of information from abroad, has banned individuals and businesses from using satellite television dishes. *(AFP)*

Family affair

Lusaka: Newstead Zimba, Zambia's home affairs minister, had his wife arrested after she assaulted a pregnant woman she suspected was his mistress. *(AFP)*



Assad: deeply worried

Damascus snubs plea for secret peace talks

BY CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

HOPES of a further breakthrough towards peace in the Middle East were dashed yesterday when Syria rejected an Israeli invitation to secret negotiations separate from the public talks in Washington, which are deadlocked.

The rejection was matched by a hardening of official Syrian media attacks against Israel and against the secretly negotiated Israeli-Palestine Liberation Organisation peace accord, which was signed last month at the White House and is now in the process of implementation.

Al-Thawra, a mouthpiece for the regime of President Assad, accused Israel of not being serious in its search for peace and of continuing to place obstacles in the way of negotiations. It said that rather than creating lasting peace, a marginal and partial agreement like that reached with the PLO would lead to increased tension in the region. *Al-Baath*, the newspaper of Syria's ruling party, accused the Israeli government of Yitzhak Rabin of trying to escape compliance with the basic principle of the negotiations, which it stated was the exchange of land for peace.

The negative Syrian approach, more outspoken than anything heard since news of the Israeli-PLO deal broke, came in response to a statement by Mr Rabin on Wednesday that, through secret talks, Israel and Syria might be able to resolve differences.

President Assad is said to be deeply worried that the Gaza-Jericho deal might be used as a model for the Golan Heights: the exchange of part of the disputed territory for a complete peace.

☐ **Tunis:** Yassir Arafat, the PLO leader, and Mr Rabin have agreed that 5,500 Palestinian prisoners held by Israel will be released over the next few days, a Palestinian source said. Shaikh Ahmed Yassin, the spiritual leader of the Islamic Resistance Movement, Hamas, could be one of those freed. *(AFP)*



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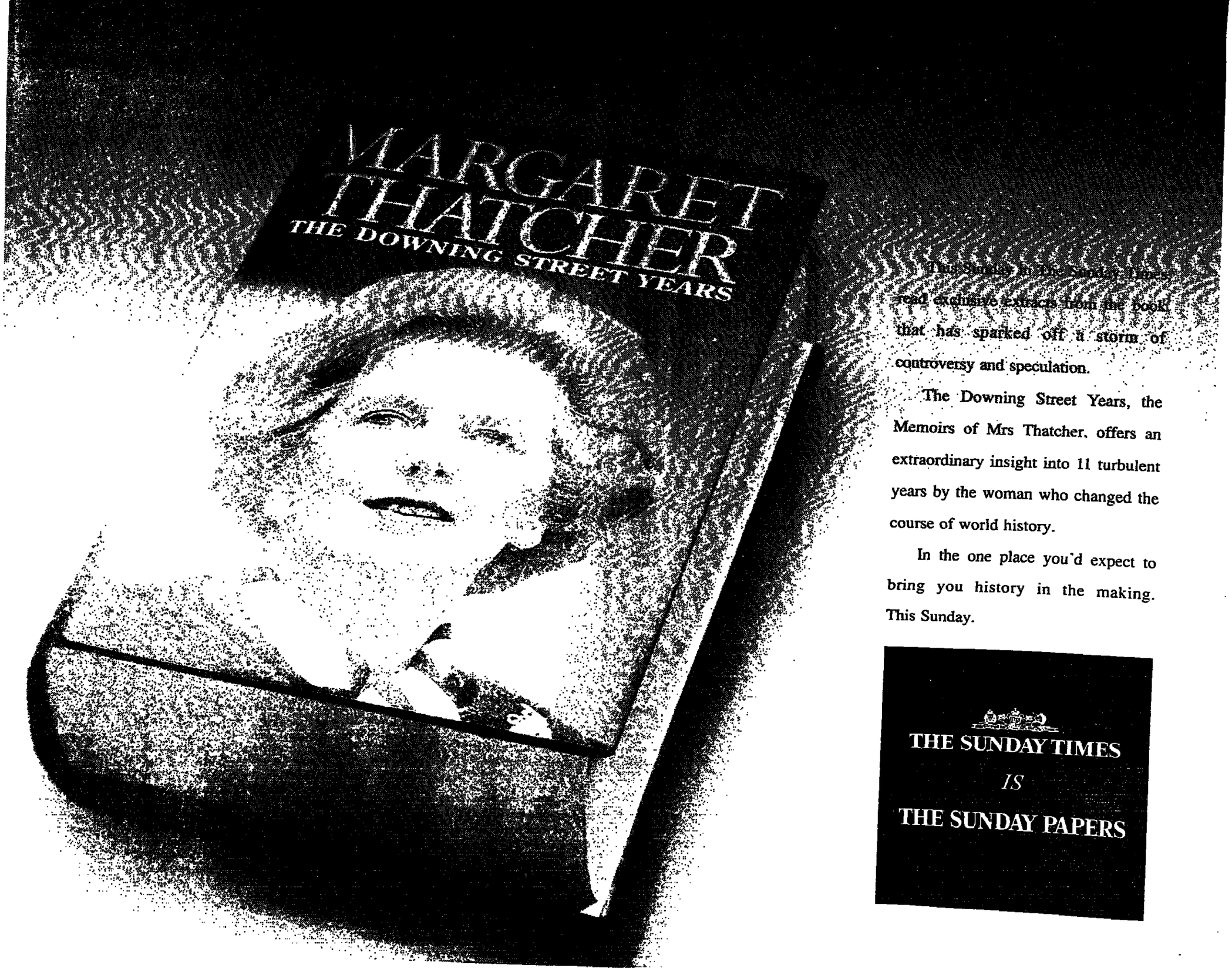
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Somali warlord tries to appease West while Clinton policy angers UN leader

US offers Aidid peace talks but keeps gun loaded

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON AND SAM KILEY IN MOGADISHU

THE United States extended a carrot-and-stick policy yesterday to General Muhammad Farrah Aidid, the Somali warlord, offering him the chance to negotiate a peaceful settlement, but also warning him that he is still a military target.

These seemingly contradictory goals were put forward by Les Aspin, the defence secretary, whose reputation has been badly tarnished by his handling of American intervention in Somalia, where 15 US troops have died since Sunday.

Mr Aspin said on television that President Clinton was asking the leaders of neighbouring African countries for help in forming a transitional national council of all the Somali factions and clans. "It has to include Aidid, or at least the clan Aidid represents," Mr Aspin said.

In another interview, however, the defence secretary said the Americans would still use military power to suppress the guerrillas while working for a political settlement. "We want to continue the pressure on Aidid," he said. "We want to make sure that if Aidid hits us we'll be able to hit back and, of course, I wouldn't rule out an operation against Aidid if the opportunity presented itself."



General Aidid's militia allowed a representative from the International Committee of the Red Cross to visit the American pilot held captive in Mogadishu yesterday, in a bid to pave the way for a possible reconciliation with America. Suzanne Hofstatter said that Warrant Officer Mike Durant was in good spirits and joked about the poor food he was being fed, during her 40-minute visit. The bodies of two more American soldiers killed in Sunday's fighting in the Somali capital were recovered yesterday.

The fugitive warlord is wanted for the ambush in June in which 24 Pakistani soldiers were killed and for subsequent atrocities. At the same time, Washington appears to recognise the need for him to be part of any reconciliation. Robert Oakley, Mr Clinton's new envoy to the region, is reported to have authority to try to re-establish his earlier relationship with the general.

To a large extent, Washington rallied behind the president after he promised to end American military involvement in Somalia by March 31. There were still sceptics and critics, but there was a sense of relief that the president had at last articulated a policy, even though he could not guarantee its success.

While promising not to "cut and run", Mr Clinton has doubled the strength of American military forces in Somalia and will station an aircraft carrier off-shore. Many in Congress were glad that Mr Clinton had set limited goals and they blame Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, for refusing to scale down the hunt for General Aidid.

Dr Boutros Ghali has himself been irritated by America's recent interventions. Diplomats said Washington's letter to President Meles of Ethiopia, suggesting an international committee of enquiry to monitor attacks on UN forces in Somalia, was sent without the support of the UN. The secretary-general is also annoyed that Mr Oakley has been sent back to Somalia, since the diplomat disagrees with the policy of trying to capture General Aidid.

The Clinton timetable for pulling out of Somalia faces its first test next week in Congress where some members are calling for a more rapid withdrawal. Their leader, Robert Byrd, a Democratic senator, will put forward an amendment to cut off funds for the Somali mission by the end of the year. Republicans, however, have sounded a bipartisan note, led by Senator Robert Dole, who said: "The president has earned the day and deserves our support".

☐ **Miami:** Last-minute nerves at the Pentagon over committing American soldiers to another dangerous overseas mission are holding up the deployment of 600 American troops to Haiti as part of a UN mission to restore democracy to the crisis-torn Caribbean nation (David Adams writes). Observers say the Pentagon is alarmed by anti-American protests by armed paramilitary groups and this week's strike in Port-au-Prince.



American soldiers wounded in Somalia waiting to be taken to hospital at Andrews air force base, Maryland

Son of fugitive is US marine

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

THE son of General Muhammad Farrah Aidid is a US marine and a veteran of the Gulf war, according to members of the fugitive Soamli warlord's family who are now living in Canada.

Hussein Farrah Muhammad, General Aidid's son by his first marriage, is a marine engineer resident in California, the New York *Daily News* said. A Marine Corps spokesman confirmed that Mr Muhammad was a reservist.

Doud Gurhan, the brother of General Aidid's second wife, told the *Daily News* that Mr Muhammad was called up and saw active service during the Gulf war, and is still employed by the same forces now attempting to track down the elusive warlord. In the latest troop deployment to Somalia, President Clinton plans to station 3,600 extra marines offshore.

General Aidid's second wife and their four young children live in Ontario. His first wife lives in California. Mr Gurhan said that the general has managed to maintain contact with his young family, despite his fugitive status.

King of junk bonds pays campus dues

■ **Michael Milken, disgraced symbol of 1980s corporate greed, is eight months out of prison and lecturing on financial success to enthusiastic business students**

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN NEW YORK

MICHAEL Milken, the disgraced junk-bond king and toupée-wearing symbol of 1980s corporate greed, is no more. In his place stands Professor Milken, the upright, sober-suited, bald academic of the 1990s.

This week, just eight months after his release from jail, Mr Milken gave his first lecture at the University of California at Los Angeles, entitled "Management 298D: Corporate Finance, Financial Institutions and Investing". To judge from the swarms of MBA students clamouring for a place at his feet, America has lost none of its willingness to forgive and forget.

For three hours last Wednesday, armed with the flow charts and rhetoric he once used to motivate his staff at the investment bank Drexel Burnham Lambert, the highest-paid man in Wall Street history lectured to a rapt audience.

"What is risk?" he asked. "There's risk in everything ... when there's no risk there's no future." But, as Mr Milken can attest, there is also the risk of getting caught and indicted on 98 counts of security violations, including insider trading. In 1990, he pleaded guilty to six felony counts and served 22 months in a California prison camp. He must now serve three more years of community service. America has a tradition of rehabilitating fallen celebrities. Mr Milken, now 47, has become popular on campus. One student said: "He's the best finance guy since J.P. Morgan." Another said: "He made $550 million (£360 million) in one year. It blows your mind."



Milken: rehabilitated

The authorities at UCLA, one of California's most prestigious universities, are a little more ambivalent, insisting that Mr Milken is a piece of living history, not a role model "of any sort".

The hairpiece and the Gucci outfits may have gone, but there are still flashes of the arrogant and dazzling tycoon. While encouraging his students to argue, he warned them: "You can never insult me."

Mr Milken's jail sentence has not dimmed his business acumen or his taste for centre-stage. Last month he addressed an enthusiastic Congressional Black Caucus meeting in Washington on urban investment as a "guest and friend" of Maxine Waters, a Democrat. "I know talent and brilliance when I see it," she said.

Mr Milken is active in numerous educational and community service projects, including the non-profit Drug Abuse Resistance Education programme, but his efforts these days are not exclusively philanthropic. In 1995 he plans to launch an education entertainment network, a cable television venture featuring his university lectures.

Soon after leaving prison he was diagnosed as suffering from prostate cancer, but is reported to be responding well to treatment. He is also writing an autobiography to "correct misperceptions" about his activities at Drexel Burnham Lambert, and describe the experience of being at the "white hot centre of a revolution" in the business world.

For some, Michael Milken is nothing more than a crook, but for many others he remains a financial visionary without equal, who made vast quantities of capital available to growing businesses at a crucial time.

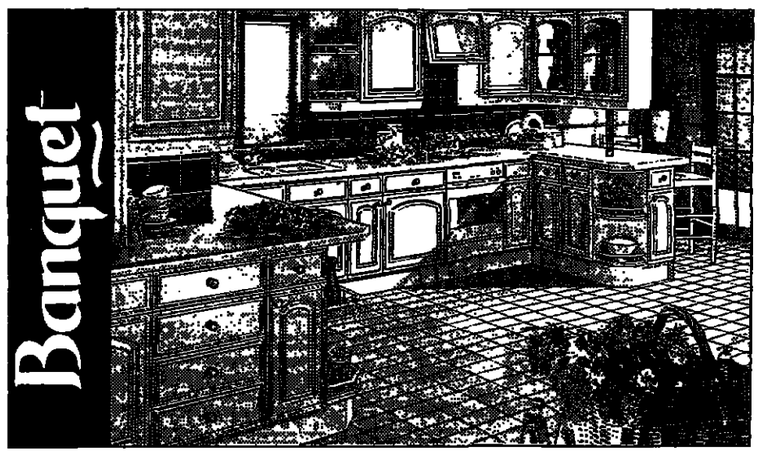
Mr Milken has long argued that businessmen, himself included, failed to grasp the distinction between "perception and reality" at the time, which may explain why he is now putting the same sort of effort into his rehabilitation that he once expended on marketing junk bonds.

In the words of Stephen Wynn, a casino magnate and one of those who prospered mightily as a result of Mr Milken's methods: "You have to define yourself or the press will do it for you."

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'Desperate' Iraqis surrender secrets on chemical arms

FROM ANDREW FINKEL IN BAGHDAD

THE United Nations mission to Baghdad has disclosed "radical new data" on Iraq's chemical weapons capability, according to Rolf Ekeus, the leader of the investigation.

President Saddam Hussein's administration was ready to make public a list of its foreign arms suppliers, so desperate was it to resume the export of oil that would follow the lifting of UN sanctions on Iraq, he added.

Mr Ekeus said the information on chemical weapons would now be sent to New York to be assessed before any recommendation could be made on whether sanctions should be eased. Although he said there had been considerable progress, lifting the embargo could not be rushed.

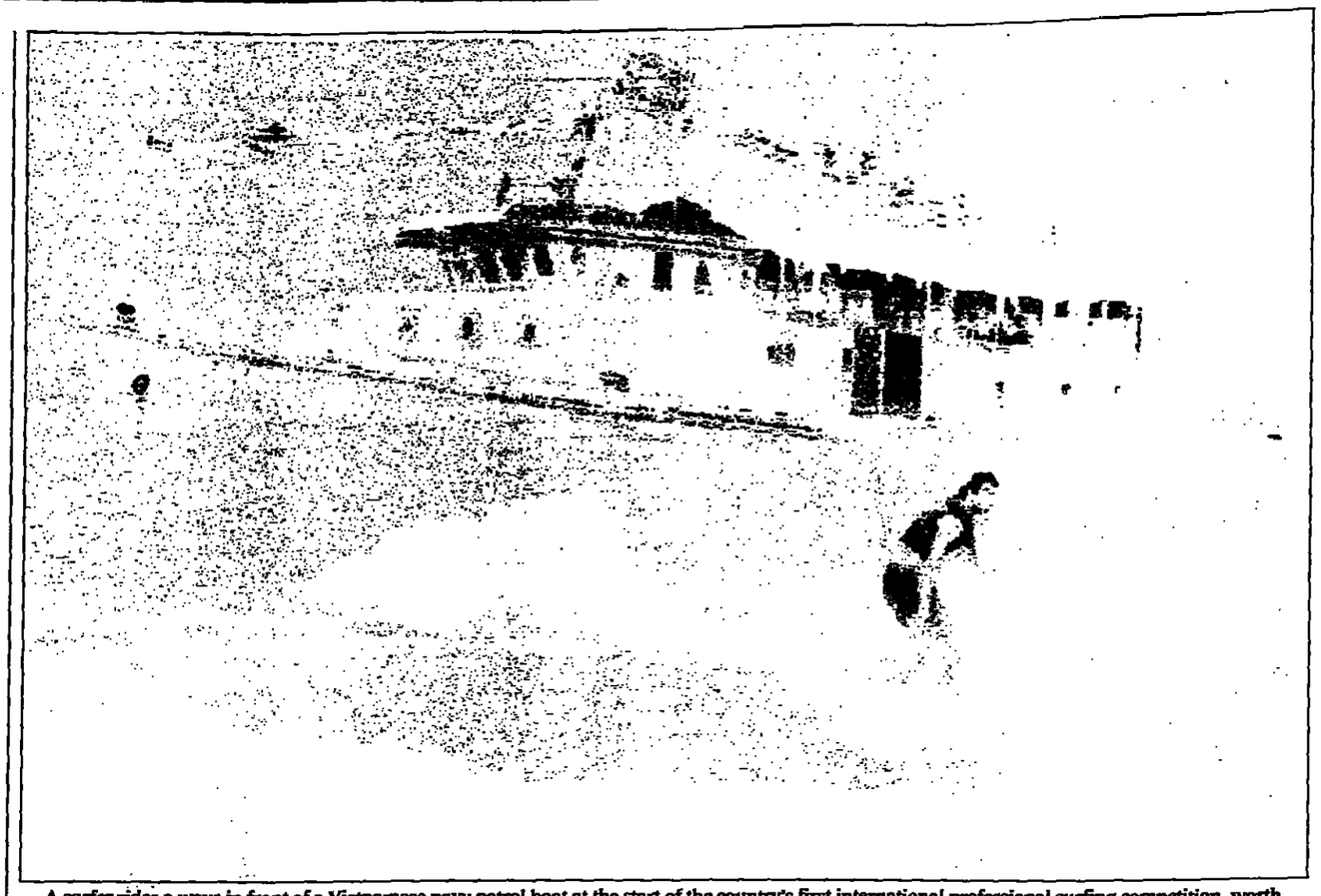
The UN team reported little progress over long-term monitoring of future weapons programmes, a key condition that Iraq still has to meet under UN Resolution 715.

Mr Ekeus described the new data on Iraq's chemical programme as proof that Baghdad has been withholding information for the past two and a half years, and of a new earnestness that it should be allowed to sell its oil. This could happen without the sanctions against Iraq being lifted entirely. Paragraph 22 of UN Resolution 687 specifically links the issue of oil to progress on the dismantling of Iraq's weapons capabilities — chemical, biological, ballistic and atomic.

There is little doubt that economic sanctions have begun to affect not only Baghdad's poor, but also senior civil servants, who can no longer afford even to keep a phone. It takes three months' salary to buy a car tyre and finding basic pharmaceutical drugs is a problem.

Iraqi government officials insist that the country is complying fully with UN conditions. "The pretext for maintaining sanctions are now political," said Saadi Mahdi Salih, president of the Iraqi parliament. While there are issues on which Iraq has failed to comply, including the agreement over the border with Kuwait and the whereabouts of Scud missiles, Mr Salih's assertion is to some extent backed up by UN staff.

During the course of Mr Ekeus' week-long negotiations, 140 tonnes of equipment arrived in the Iraqi capital, the sledgehammer necessary to remove less than 100lb of material that could be used in nuclear weapons. The material is being taken to the Russian Federation, the only country willing to accept the material, according to the International Atomic Energy Agency team in Iraq. The team has identified and destroyed Iraq's nuclear facilities. A member of the UN mission expressed confidence that even if some stockpiles had not been found, they were now likely to be unstable.



A surfer rides a wave in front of a Vietnamese navy patrol boat at the start of the country's first international professional surfing competition, worth £39,000 in prize money, at China Beach, Da Nang, a quarter of a century after American soldiers surfed there during rest breaks from the Vietnam war

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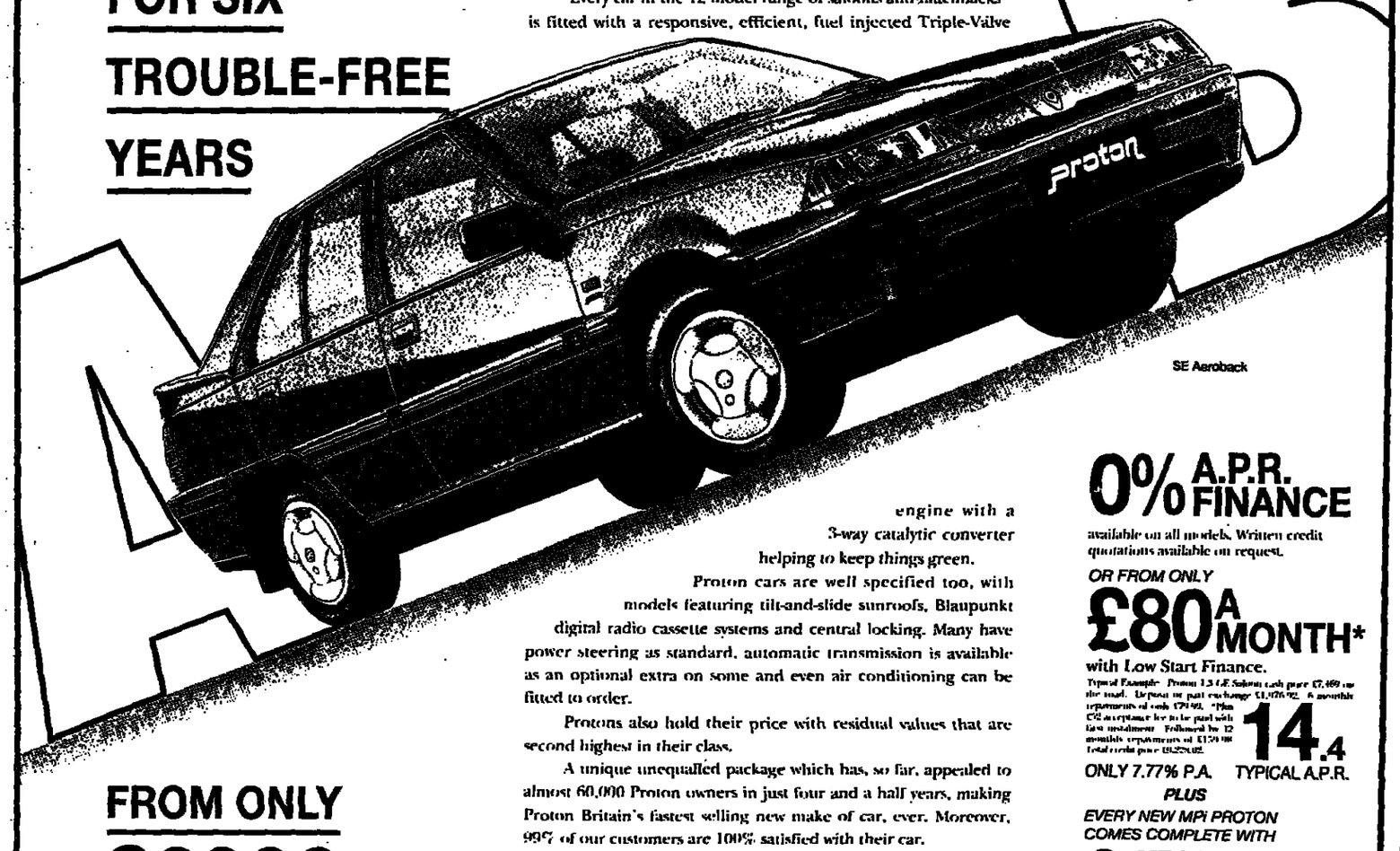
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Russia holds Strangelove key to global obliteration

■ Moscow has a "doomsday" machine able to start a nuclear war automatically, claims an arms expert, raising fears of a computer deciding the end of the world

FROM WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU IN WASHINGTON

Russia owns a "doomsday" machine that can automatically start an all-out nuclear strike without any input by human beings, according to a leading American expert on Russian and Soviet arms technology.

The secret system, referred to by Russian officers as "the dead hand", was developed by Soviet scientists during the 1970s and is still operative today.

The dead hand would allow Russia to fight a nuclear war even when its political and military leaders were dead or unable to order strikes, a discomfiting thought considering the recent political upheaval in Moscow. While the system is defensive in nature, in that it would only respond to a nuclear strike on Russia, it nevertheless amounts to the first known instance where the decision to launch a nuclear strike would be left to a computer rather than a person. The revelation is reminiscent of the doomsday machine in Stanley Kubrick's 1963 film satire, *Dr Strangelove*.

The claim about Russia's doomsday machine was made in *The New York Times* by Bruce Blair, a Russian arms expert. Dr Blair said he obtained his information from interviews with senior Russian officers. He said that the system works on the basis of highly complex communication processes: after sensors detect a nuclear attack on Moscow, the system sends launch codes to fire a communications rocket, which then relays the attack orders to various nuclear missiles.

Referring to an exercise in 1984, during which the machine was tested, Dr Blair wrote: "From a simulated war room in Leningrad, it transmitted a 'fail deadly' message to a special radio station in the Moscow military district. In an actual nuclear attack, this message would be likely to flow from the Russian general staff's underground war room in Moscow to a radio bunker 40 miles south at Chekhov." This message, he writes, would contain the secret codes, which are normally known only by the president, and which are needed to launch an attack. Since machines are prone to failure, he said, the risk of an accidental launch is "impossible to know, but clearly it increases in a nuclear crisis".

Dr Blair says that the risk of an accidental nuclear war as great as ever, despite the end of the Cold War and the various disarmament efforts. America also has a "highly strung" system. He said it was not true, as is widely believed, that the president holds the sole key to a nuclear attack. "US military commanders have traditionally been vested with the authority to order nuclear retaliation under conditions similar to those that trigger Russia's automatic launching — notably, loss of communications with national authorities and signs of nuclear detonations on American soil."

Duncan Lennox, editor of *Jane's Strategic Weapons Systems*, said: "There has never been any suggestion that the Russians have a doomsday scenario computer launch system."

Each country appeared to have a similar launch procedure under which two highly trained military personnel, standing well apart from each other, had to insert coded "keys" at the same time.

Mr Lennox said: "There has always been the feeling that this process should never be entrusted to computers."



A scene from the film *Dr Strangelove* in which the world is destroyed by a doomsday machine

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Ailing Papandreou bids to cure EC's sickest economy



Papandreou: predicting a *triumphant return to power*

FROM TOM RHODES IN ATHENS

■ Europe is jittery about Greece being run by the socialist old stager, who would assume the presidency of the Community in January

TO THE stirring strains of *Carmina Burana* and fireworks punching the Athenian skyline, Andreas Papandreou, the ailing eminence grise of Greek socialism, has predicted a triumphant return to power for his party in the general election tomorrow.

"Today you are dispelling the nightmare of four years lost," he told thousands of cheering supporters at a climactic rally in Areos park. "You are scattering the clouds of decline and fatalism. You are sending a message to every corner of our motherland. Hope has prevailed, the people have triumphed."

If the mood music was the same as when his Panhellenic Socialist Movement (Pasok) first wrested power from the right in 1981, then the reality was certainly not.

In the interim, Mr Papandreou has survived the £130 million Bank of Crete scandal, married a mistress almost half his age, and undergone a triple heart bypass. While pollsters yesterday continued to predict a socialist victory by as much as six percentage points over its main conservative rival, the New Democracy party, there is serious concern about whether the septuagenarian politician can stay alive in office.

His prospective cabinet is not much better. Giorgos Yennimatas, the obvious heir-apparent, has cancer, as does Melina Mercouri, the populist former minister who is most noted for her struggle to get the Elgin Marbles returned to Athens.

Greece assumes the European Community presidency in January and political opponents have made much play of Mr Papandreou's inability to cope with such a hectic workload. Of greater concern to the country's European partners, however, is whether the Greek economy would slide even further into decline under a left-wing government.

Greece is the poorest EC country with the lowest productivity, highest inflation, at 12.8 per cent this month, and the largest external debt. In office, the New Democracy government of Constantine Mitsotakis has managed almost a halving of the deficit, which now stands at 11 per cent of gross domestic product. Stephanos Manos, the outgoing economy and finance minister, said that the situation remained precarious. "We have started to put breaks on spending. But it has been a huge and unpopular task.

"The situation has stopped becoming worse but it is still very bad and this will cause problems for whichever government is in power. Billions and billions of dollars of foreign investment will be thrown away, deterring other outside investors in future and bringing disaster to Greece."

He said that the cancellation of the privatisation programme would lose the economy billions of pounds over the next 16 months, and a Pasok government would increase taxation and the level of debt, so pushing up interest rates and adding to unemployment.

But the socialists argue that their policies would bring domestic growth, the money coming partly from a voluntary increase in private savings and the rest from the Community. Greece is expected to receive around £20 billion from the EC over the next five years, worth more than the country's combined earnings from tourism and shipping.

Europe is unhappy not only with large-scale frauds relating to cotton, tobacco and olive oil subsidies, but also with the apparent inability of the Greeks to put their economic house in order. Until two years ago there were hardly any computerised tax records and tax evasion is common among the largely liberal professional classes.

Both sides are aware that their economic performance is of paramount importance, particularly with the EC presidency so close. In the run-up to the polls, however, Pasok has deflected some attention from the economy by raising the nationalist issue of Macedonia. This drum has also been beaten by Antonis Sanaras, leader of the breakaway conservative Political Spring party, expected to take as much as 4 per cent of the vote from New Democracy.

While many Greeks fain interest in the largest issues and are disaffected by the austerity programme, some observers consider that voters' dislike of Mr Mitsotakis will play a large part in the result. A great number, including a significant 10 per cent of "don't knows", may vote against him. "If New Democracy had any other leader than Mitsotakis, it would stand a good chance of winning," said one Greek journalist. Party candidates have unsuccessfully tried to distance themselves from a leader perceived to have served the interests of his extended family and close business associates.

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Georgia to join CIS in return for military aid

■ Eduard Shevardnadze has swapped independence for Russian assistance. Observers believe Georgia is doomed to disintegration in any event

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN TBILISI



A Russian soldier shutting a gate yesterday at a temporary Moscow camp. Meanwhile, President Yeltsin, below left, opened Kremlin talks with Eduard Shevardnadze, the Georgian leader

IN A humiliating admission of the near collapse of his regime, Eduard Shevardnadze, the Georgian leader, announced yesterday that he is to take his country into the Russian-dominated Commonwealth of Independent States.

The decision comes despite recent claims by Mr Shevardnadze that the Russian armed forces were responsible for Georgian defeat in the breakaway region of Abkhazia, and past promises that Georgia would not join the CIS.

Mr Shevardnadze's statement followed talks in Moscow with President Yeltsin, and a summit meeting of the leaders of the three Transcaucasian republics — Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan — attended by the Russian president. The three leaders promised to co-ordinate their efforts to restore peace in the region and trade and transport links. Nothing could illustrate more forcefully the way that Russia has regained political and military hegemony over these republics.

As Mr Shevardnadze spoke, rebel forces loyal to Zviad Gamsakhurdia, the deposed president, reportedly launched fresh attacks in western Georgia, capturing the town of Ozurgeti. Mr Gamsakhurdia has pledged to retake Georgia bit by bit, although Western observers doubt whether he has the military muscle or political support to achieve this.

Now that Mr Shevardnadze can expect military help from Moscow, victory for Mr Gamsakhurdia seems increasingly unlikely. However, in payment for Russian assistance, Mr Shevardnadze is widely expected to agree that Mr Yeltsin can keep his strategic bases in Georgia indefinitely. It has been reported here that Russia secretly promised last Saturday to rearm some of Mr Shevardnadze's forces.

A spokesman for the Russian army in Georgia, Major General Vassili Belchenko, yesterday issued a stern warning to the pro-Gamsakhurdia forces after they allegedly attacked a Russian military convoy passing through their territory, killing five Russian soldiers. He said Russian troops would take "decisive steps" to prevent further attacks. Mr Gamsakhurdia has apologised for the attack, but he warned Moscow not to help the "Shevardnadze junta".

Yesterday's decision by Mr Shevardnadze means only the three Baltic states have succeeded in keeping out of the CIS. Even the briefest stroll through the streets of Tbilisi, the Georgian capital, illustrates the country's appalling economic crisis. There are enormous queues for bread, partly because the pro-Gamsakhurdia rebellion has disrupted grain supplies from the Black Sea ports. Huge numbers of unemployed men, their enterprises brought to a standstill by the collapse of trade with Russia and the rest of the former Soviet Union, loiter on street corners.

Mr Gamsakhurdia's supporters in the city yesterday reacted with predictable outrage to the CIS decision. "Shevardnadze has always been a Soviet communist agent," an agitated woman told me. "He planned this from the beginning. All our sufferings and losses have been caused by him deliberately so as to bring us back under Moscow's rule."

Even many of Mr Shevardnadze's supporters are angered by the news. On Wednesday, Irina Sarishvili, the deputy prime minister, said: "If we now join the CIS so that Russians should stop killing Georgians, then why did we bother to destroy the Soviet Union?"

Most Georgians have been so battered by economic hardship and the human losses of the Abkhazian dispute that much of their nationalist rhetoric has disappeared. "If this decision will have beneficial consequences, then it is worth trying," a student told me. "It is just very frustrating that first we refuse to join, and now, after suffering so many unnecessary losses, we are joining anyway."

The question now is just how much aid Russia is prepared to give to help Mr Shevardnadze, given that Russia's own economic crisis is to severe. Some Western observers believe that its own internal divisions doom Georgia to disintegration. If so, it seems unlikely that Russia will step in to put Georgia back together again. The evidence is that Moscow wants the Transcaucasian republics as tame client states. Taking up responsibility for direct rule over this fractious area would be another matter.

☐ **Moscow:** Aleksandr Rutskoi and Ruslan Khasbulatov, the leaders of Moscow's armed uprising, are likely to face trial on charges carrying maximum prison sentences of 15 years.

They are being investigated under article 79 of the Russian penal code, which covers the organisation of mass disturbance and armed resistance. Formal arrest documents were given to them in Moscow's Lefortovo jail.

Brandt's widow falls out with party over his will

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN



Brandt: sought closer links with the East

A POLITICAL dispute has erupted in Germany over the last will and testament of Willy Brandt, the Social Democratic leader and former chancellor.

A year after his death from cancer, Brandt's family is squabbling over a handwritten codicil to his will that leaves all his possessions to his widow Brigitte, 47. The most potent argument is, however, between the Social Democratic party (SPD) and his widow who happens to be a well-respected historian of the German left.

During his life, Brandt deposited many letters and papers in the archives of the SPD Friedrich Ebert institute. As far as the party was concerned, it was the former chancellor's wish that all of his records be handed over to the SPD. Frau Brandt claims that the will leaves all the papers to her.

Many in the party believe that Frau Brandt is trying not only to take over the former chancellor's documents but also to reshape his reputation. She has gone on record as saying that her husband, shortly before his death, was convinced that Germany should sharpen its liberal asylum laws. That sparked fierce criticism from party left-wingers who looked up to Willy Brandt as their patron. Frau Brandt insisted that her husband had wanted to be buried with full military honours — an affront to party passivists.

The SPD is irritated that Brandt's widow is so publicity-conscious, appearing on talk shows with politicians from the right of the Christian Democratic Union. Frau Brandt argues that her aim is not to hide away the files on her husband but to prevent them being merged with those of other Social Democratic leaders, to maintain a separate historical identity for the man who devised *Ostpolitik*, implementing Germany's opening to Eastern Europe and Moscow.

Greens discover whiff of political power makes idealism go stale

BY ROGER BOYES

GERMANY'S Greens, staging a remarkable comeback, embark today on an annual conference that is intended to set the party on course to be the third political force in parliament. Recent state elections and opinion polls have shown that the Greens will be one of the key brokers after next year's regional and national elections.

But this proximity to power has a price. As delegates gathered yesterday in Bonn for the conference, it became clear that Green members have changed from the ramshackle neo-flower power days of the 1980s. The men wore ties, or at least pressed shirts, and many had carefully coiffured heads; the women had exchanged their pebble glasses for contact lenses and power-smiles. But the yellowing of the Greens goes much further than appearances.

As they come to positions of influence in city and regional councils, the former idealists are learning to throw their weight about. Hans Albert Lennartz, the Green city president of Hanover, recently tried to press his education department into allowing a 21-year-old woman to resit her school leaving exams for the third time — a strict violation of the rules. The woman was his babysitter and was the daughter of the lover of another Green politician. Such backscratching, once condemned by the Greens as the hallmark of the corrupt established parties, has become common.

The Greens are now hungry for power. "They are becoming desperate careerists — they'll do anything to get into government," says Ulrich Maurer, a Social Democrat who was involved in trying to put together a regional red-Green coalition in 1992. Certainly the Greens have lost their former function as a protest party. Now protest voters are backing far-right parties or citizens' initiatives such as the Statt party which emerged strongly in the Hamburg elections in September. "A vote for the Greens is now a vote for power," according to Hubert Kleinert, a long time campaigner for a Social Democrat-Green alliance. He spoke to a reporter in the parliamentary canteen in Bonn while tucking into a juicy steak, a far cry from the old muesli-crunching image.

The conference will try to qualify the Greens' traditional opposition to German military involvement overseas and lay the foundations for a sensible foreign policy. Many Greens have already spoken up for military intervention in the Balkans. Pacifism is the last hurdle to becoming a credible member of a national government coalition; it is the last taboo and it is expected to go.







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In the New York mayoral campaign, the game is to find racial "code language" in opponents' remarks and to bellow "racist"

Alexander Chancellor in New York

Returning here after a couple of weeks away in Europe, I find that Bill Clinton has been to New York in my absence and created something of a political furore. The president came here to support the incumbent Democratic mayor, David Dinkins, in the run up to next month's mayoral elections, and was subsequently condemned as follows in an article in *The New York Times*: "What the president did in the name of helping Mr Dinkins was simply wrong. It undermined the moral authority of his office and of the next mayor of New York, whoever that may be, and it set back the cause of equality in ways the president appears not to appreciate."

So what was this wicked thing that the president had done? Calling for the re-election of Mr Dinkins, the city's first black mayor, Mr Clinton had said that "too many of us are still too unwilling to vote for people who are different than we are". Maybe my holiday has desensitised me, but I couldn't immediately see what was objectional about this remark. It did, after all, accurately reflect the reality of how New Yorkers voted in the last mayoral elections, in which 90 per cent of blacks supported Mr Dinkins and barely a quarter of whites did so. It seems self-evident that both blacks and whites in New York are reluctant to vote for candidates who are "different" from them.

However, the author of the article in *The New York Times*, Paul Goldman, a former chief campaign strategist of L Douglas Wilder, the first black governor of Virginia, accused Mr Clinton of playing into the hands of "those who would use hatred, intolerance and bigotry to divide and inflame".

That the president's apparently well-meaning, liberal remark should arouse such outrage in a well-meaning liberal such as Mr Goldman just goes to show how extraordinarily difficult it is to engage in public discussion of racial issues. Direct reference to race is so politically incorrect as to be almost inconceivable, but obliquity is hardly less dangerous. In the New York campaign, anything that any politician says on any issue is closely examined for traces of racial "code language". The game is to avoid being caught out using code language oneself but to find it in one's opponents' remarks and bellow "racist" at him.

It is a game of awesome subtlety, and full of potential pitfalls. Mr



Dinkins was elected because he was perceived by white liberal swing voters as the man most likely to be able to heal racial divisions in the city. His television commercials still emphasise this aspect, portraying him as the candidate of harmony and reconciliation (it being implicitly suggested that racial disharmony is an ever present threat which his Republican opponent, Rudolph Giuliani, would foment).

Mr Giuliani's commercials, on the other hand, have focused on the social and economic miseries of New York: crime, drugs, unemployment, and so on (it being implicitly suggested that Mr Dinkins has been an indecisive and incompetent mayor who now has only the racial card to play).

While Mr Dinkins has scrupulously avoided making racial appeals to voters and explained away Mr Clinton's remark as a challenge "to rise above our differences and vote on the basis of the candidates' records", a couple of his supporters have unfortunately played into the enemy's hands.

A black Baptist pastor accused Mr Giuliani, an American of Italian extraction, of being supported by fascist elements, which was immediately decried by the other side as a slur on Italians; and the head of a black police officers' group accused Mr Giuliani's running mate, Herman Badillo, of caring little about his fellow Hispanics because he had married a Jew. The mayor distanced himself from these remarks, but they were nevertheless featured in two Giuliani commercials.

"We don't need these anti-Semitic and racial attacks. The city needs all of us to get along," Mr Badillo said in one of these commercials. But this defensive posture, designed to woo wavering white liberals by portraying Mr Giuliani and Mr Badillo as victims of racism, was in turn depicted by the Dinkins camp as unscrupulous use of the racial card.

"By putting it on television in this way, Giuliani has clearly decided to make sure that the issue of race comes to the attention of all seven-something million people who live in New York city," said one of the mayor's senior campaign strategists. "He's in the curiously contradictory position of complaining about the visibility of this issue while increasing its visibility a thousandfold."

Mr Dinkins seemed, until recently, doomed to lose the election, but the opinion polls now show the race to be close. And while most New Yorkers are likely to vote along racial lines, the result may be determined by a critical group of white liberals who would like to believe that race is not a factor at all. It is for them that this game of pass the parcel is being played.

Right idea, but wrong men to chase for cash

The Child Support Agency is good in theory but is adopting bad practice, **Frank Field** believes

The establishment of the Child Support Agency is a long overdue reform. Under this government a growing proportion of absent fathers either never made, or were ceasing to make maintenance payments where they had a duty to do so. But the reform is now in danger of being brought down by the patent injustices in the way it is being implemented.

A lot of justifiable grievances stem from the retrospective nature of the agency's work. It has the power to overturn decisions the courts have come to on the level of maintenance payments. Indeed it appears that such arrangements have been singled out for attack.

Absent fathers who are making payments appear generally to have been made the first target for investigation and for receiving new, much increased, maintenance bills. Other families, who want help from the agency, are being told to wait. When one mother who had been chasing her former husband for payment — without any success — asked the agency for help, she was told that they would not be getting around to her husband until 1996.

A second injustice is being created for those families who agreed to a "clean-break" divorce, in which the two parties agree a capital settlement with limited liabilities thereafter. Such arrangements were, not so long ago, the government's flavour of the month. It was this kind of settlement that couples were encouraged to make. Now these arrangements are being torn up by the agency. That is bad enough, but the error is being compounded by the totally insensitive way the agency staff are being told to operate.

In order to make clean-break arrangements, some fathers made over the family home to their former wife and agreed to settle the family's debts that had mounted up before the clean break came into effect. Some of these fathers have incurred debts themselves to pay for the settlement. The repaying of this debt has not been taken into account when calculating what the father's net income is, and the sum from which the maintenance payments are computed.

Nor is any account being taken of the circumstances of the marriage breakdown. One angry, deserted mother, who is gaining no help from the agency, although her husband pays nothing toward his children, explained the circumstances of her sister who had left her husband.

That father had always paid maintenance for his child despite the fact that he had been deserted by his wife. Now his payments have been more than doubled. Here was a man who wishes his marriage had continued, has paid maintenance from the first day of separation and is now being told to increase considerably the support paid to the woman who refuses to live with him.

Anger is understandably being expressed by fathers who see their second family's living standard being reduced to what they claim is income support level. Why should they continue working? It is difficult to offer anywhere near an adequate answer, given that the way the reform is operating flies in the face of so much of the government's rightful rhetoric about pay incentives.

Yet another source of genuine grievance comes from those fathers who have entered a second marriage, are paying large sums to their first family, but receive no help for the stepchildren they have willingly made part of their family. The reason for this is that the other family is on benefit and can only make a contribution of a couple of pounds a week. Surely some form of credit could operate where the failure to gain support for stepchildren is taken into account in computing the size of the maintenance payments to the first child?

Unless Peter Lilley, the Secretary of State for Social Security, acts quickly and decisively the government will be panicked into action, and the reform could be lost. There is still much popular support for errant fathers being made to meet their responsibilities. Unlike America, where too much time is wasted chasing fathers who have no money to pay, in Britain the agency is presenting bills to working fathers. Hence the row.

It is important to grasp this point. There are, naturally, howls of anguish coming from many fathers, who, generally speaking, have been enjoying a living standard far and away above that experienced by their former wives and their children. That balance is quite rightly being redressed.

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But it is only fair that people are given time to make the necessary adjustments to their budgets, and that the rules on contributions are tempered with justice. That is not what is happening now, and as a result the effort to reinforce family responsibilities is being thrown off kilter by the Treasury's demand to reduce payments to single mothers.

Taxpayers feel aggrieved at having to stump up for irresponsible fathers. But they also want more from the reform than simply cutting the welfare bills in the first year of the agency. They want attitudes to family responsibilities changed, and that can only be achieved if the public gives its wholehearted support to this new initiative. And that will only be forthcoming if the public thinks the agency behaves fairly.

In a little over a week Parliament meets and the anger of fathers is going to spill over on to the floor of the Commons. Mr Lilley will be well-advised to placate irate MPs by announcing five reforms:

- Fathers who have never paid maintenance must be the first target for the agency.
- The contribution from those who made clean-break divorces must be different from those who have not.
- The financial circumstances of fathers who gain no help with the cost of step-children, but who pay for their own children, must similarly be taken into account.
- Full maintenance bills must be phased in over a two-year period.
- Mr Lilley must also be able to assure MPs that working fathers who do pay maintenance will still have an income which maintains their incentives both to work and to stick with their current family.

There is so much going for the Child Support Agency. The overwhelming support of taxpayers is matched by a highly-qualified and talented staff. It was always clear that there would be anger about increased maintenance from some of those fathers who have enjoyed a good standard of living while their first families eke out an existence on income support. Mr Lilley must be supported in standing up to this group. But some of the rules under which the agency is operating are unfair and must be changed, or one of the government's best initiatives may be squandered.

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How a politician who never tasted power kept hope shining in South Africa's apartheid days

Exhibit 'A' for democracy

Simon Jenkins

Helen Suzman is never off duty. I remember a Foreign Office lunch given in London three years ago for Nelson Mandela shortly after his release from prison. He was seated next to Douglas Hurd and looked exhausted. Mrs Suzman was directly opposite him. "Nelson," she shouted. "You are being very naughty about sanctions." He smiled nervously and replied defensively... difficult issue... much pressure from American supporters. "I know, I know," she interrupted, "but let me tell you what you know perfectly well..." and she was off. A diplomatic lunch became a Cape Town political barbecue. Mr Mandela relaxed. We listened as two people argued their country's future across the table. We should have tiptoed away and left them to it. It was their business, not ours.

Helen Suzman's memoirs are published next week, and should not be overshadowed by those of another politician with whom she shares at least a bundle of energy. Mrs Suzman was never "in power" and her book is not a contender for the Nobel prize. But it tells the tale of one of the world's most remarkable parliamentarians, properly so-called. It is a mountaineer's guide to democracy.

I first met Mrs Suzman 15 years ago in her house in Johannesburg, where she shocked me by telling racist jokes about Afrikaners. I had spent much of the day hearing Afrikaners tell racist jokes about blacks, but soon learnt that gallows humour was a normal release in apartheid South Africa. I also came to realise how crucial to Mrs Suzman's 40-year campaign against apartheid was her wit. God preserve humour in politics.

She seems to have had almost no allies. On the right were the battalions of Afrikaner Nationalism: brutal, sexist, anti-Semitic, engaged in the shambolic construction of one of the world's most inhumane regimes. She confronted the repulsive trio of Verwoerd, Vorster and Botha. "If my wife chattered like the honourable lady I would know what to do with her," said Botha. They muttered and sniggered during her speeches. "neo-communist... sickly humanist... go back to Israel... vicious little cat". They liked their women large and docile. They could not cope with this cheeky, terrier female.

Yet she received equal opprobrium from the left. The heavy mob of neo-liberalism accused her of "going along with" apartheid by remaining an MP. To them she was a toy of the English-speaking rich, of her "silk stocking" Houghton constituency. Her electors could make fortunes from the blacks and salve their consciences by putting Mrs Suzman in parliament. She was "exhibit A for democracy" in a country whose democracy was good only for a sneer. "I can stand cold hate; I can't stand paternal liberalism," said the American Andy Young in an attack on her work. "I can be just as nasty to blacks as to whites," she cracked, and in his case proved it.

Mrs Suzman could make Lady Thatcher seem like a shrinking violet. She spent a lifetime on democracy's wildest frontier. For 40 years she stood gazing over the precipice — for 13 of them alone — at the most appalling inhumanity. She neither flinched nor turned away. True, her background was comfortable, her supporters (including Harry Oppenheimer) were rich and her friends in Johannesburg's professional community fiercely loyal. She had the backing of an often courageous English-language press. But there were plenty of whites who ignored the horrors down the road. She did not.

Her chosen witness may seem today an archaic one, membership of a parliament elected from one ethnic group. But she exploited that membership in the cause of a wider freedom. She was not an orator or an idealist or a political philosopher. She was a humble workaholic for justice who found, in South Africa's House of Assembly, an ironic vehicle to pursue it. She entered parliament in 1953 at the age of 25, finding herself in 1961 the sole survivor of the anti-apartheid Progressive party. She hesitated at the awesome task, but embraced it.

She had to fight some of the most odious laws on any statute book, the Mixed Marriages Act, the Terrorism Act, the 90-day Detention Act, the Sabotage Act, countless Land Acts stripping blacks of their property. She saw the whole edifice pass into law, one rotten brick laid on another. She tore at the cement, occasionally smashed a hole. At least one South African rose in constitutional protest.

Helen Suzman's battle was testament to one much-abused relic of British rule surviving on the tip of Africa, the Westminster system and a (mostly) free press. She exploited every right of parliamentary privilege, of procedure, of access, of publicity. She realised, with de Tocqueville, that prisons are the mirror and measure of any regime. She was first on to Robben Island and demanded and secured the removal of Mr Mandela's sadistic warder. She put down 200 parliamentary questions a year. When ministers protested that this avalanche "embarrasses us abroad", she cried, "It's your answers not my questions that embarrass us".

Key to her success was her capacity to keep events round her in proportion. Even when faced with the implacable horror of Verwoerdism, she deferred to the Speaker, obeyed the rules of the House, realised that what she wished to exploit she must respect. She was able to read out Mr Mandela's defence speech to parliament and ensure dissemination. She was never banned nor even deprived of her seniority in the House. She took her enemies at face value. While she detested Vorster and Jimmy Kruger, she could like the latter's successor as police minister, Louis le Grange, and openly admire de Klerk.

Her invective was lethal — would have led to fist fights had she been male. She told Vorster he should visit a black township one day, but go "heavily disguised as a human being". Warned to "be more wary in choosing your friends", she whipped back, "No, only in choosing my enemies!" When an odious MP complained about the murder rate in his constituency, she told him that if he ever actually went there "the rate will rise by one".

Perhaps she was "exhibit A for South African democracy". I see nothing wrong in that. The lingering traces of open politics and free speech in South Africa throughout apartheid had far more to do with its collapse than any external pressure. Helen Suzman's campaign against the cruel and costly sanctions policy was not the least evidence of her courage. It damaged her image as a liberal priestess and probably cost her the Nobel peace prize, which went (outrageously) to Bishop Tutu.

Mrs Suzman quotes the old African saying that you should never argue with the crocodile when still in the water. She taunted the beast from morning to night. She never took liberalism's cop-out, the road to ostracism, sanctions, disengagement, forgetfulness. As odious audiences in Europe and America screamed "racist" at her, she knew to bellow back in that deceptive soft South African lilt, "Get lost". Democracy needs such tonics from time to time.

JOHN PARKIN



Helen Suzman with Nelson Mandela shortly after his release from jail. She visited him in prison

She has returned

THE TIMES DIARY

IN THE bars of Yates's Wine Lodge, Blackpool, they still talk about the event in hushed tones. Grown men tremble as they recall how it was that she, she who most hoped was banished for ever (and to crawl upon her belly if it could possibly be arranged), slid slowly back into public view.

How it was that despite mounting panic, their hitherto happy band froze as one. And how it was that, to a man, they were rooted to the spot, entranced by her hypnotic gaze. She was back.

Silly boys, she thought. Of course she was back. Didn't they know she'd just been having a nap. With a contemptuous toss of her elegant head and a flick of her pretty pink tongue, she wriggled off to her favourite bar stool — and coiled herself round its base.

Yes, the boys in Yates's have been telling their favourite story again. The one about the python that escaped from a Blackpool pet shop one autumn and disappeared into the bar's ventilation system to hibernate. Caused quite a stir when the first warm day of spring took its natural course. "She had a hungry look in her eye," they said. But at least she hadn't written her memoirs.

Given the shortage of excitement elsewhere in Blackpool, the story proved curiously apposite. For if the week proved anything, it was that Orwellian variation "two legs bad, four legs good, but no legs best of all."

At home, a serpentine backlash to rail privatisation was emerging. News that the 20.38 Victoria to Orpington had been delayed because of "a snake on the train" sounded like a straightforward case of frightened BR staff. But an angry anaconda denied suggestions of intimidation — he said he'd simply asked the guard to explain the passengers' charter.

Abroad too, snakes have been opposing reform. More than 2,000 hard-line serpents are now barricaded inside the snake house of the Friedrichsfelde zoo in east Berlin. The ostreptiles, siding with many of their human counterparts, say they will never give in to reformist plans to merge them with the "decadent capitalist" snakes of west Berlin zoo. Zookeepers loyal to headkeeper Kohl are standing by to storm the snakehouse, but are currently pinned down by venomously-accurate sniper fire from a crack squad of spitting cobras. Cold-bloodshed looks inevitable.

Back in Britain, animal unrest is spreading and, as Orwell warned, it's the pigs you have to watch. The latest innocent victim of this porcine crimewave was a jogger running through the New Forest, who in an unprovoked attack had two ribs broken and a large chunk of thigh removed by a 560lb sow foraging for acorns. The sow has now been charged with inflicting criminal pannage.

The attack came just a few days after Glascote Dictator, a 800lb Saddleback boar, surprised staff at a building society in Shipston-on-Stour. Ostensibly the purpose of Glascote's visit was to close his deposit account of prize winnings, but police are now concerned there was a more sinister motive. Namely, that Glascote was casing the joint for the latest crime to hit our country towns — the boar-raid. This involves a high-speed pig reversing through a plate glass shop-front — before trotting off with the booty. Forget inner-city rat-boys. Michael Howard's village bobbies are in for a tough time.

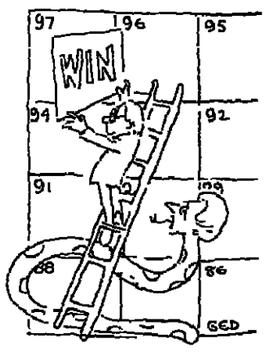
But the renewed forces for rural good are fighting back. A Dorset farmer has agreed to change the name of his 500lb sow Oprah following complaints from race relation officials. Anti-imperialists and Wodhousians, however, are still objecting to the alternative — The Empress of Blandford Forum.

Toughening up too is the judiciary — witness the four-year jail sentence imposed on a bird breeder for handling rare stolen parrots and the three months in prison that awaits the Blackpool donkey owner found guilty of keeping his donkeys in inhumane conditions. This prison term, the court has decreed, will be followed by relevant community service — organising party conferences for the next ten years.

Not everyone, it must be said, is quite pulling in the same direction yet. Peter Lilley and Michael Portillo, the Cabinet's very own dangerous dogs, are said to be baulking (barking?) at some of the attendant costs — like the £86,000 it has cost to prove that Buster was a harmless mongrel and not a fearsome pit-bull. Still, it was establishing Buster's pedigree or a few more foreign drug addicts, wasn't it Peter?

Nor would the pair probably approve of the costly, Bernie Grant-style repatriation of a golden eagle, found in Essex but now *en route* for retraining in its native Scottish highlands. But as this golden eagle flew north, another returned south. After a few trail flaps in Blackpool, gentle retraining flights are about to begin in the Department of Trade and Industry. The Heseltine has landed.

MATTHEW BOND



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YEARS OF GOLD

Mr Major's speech yesterday won him affection and time

Nostalgia is a powerful emotion. If a politician can light its fuse, he may be excused much else. John Major yesterday set out a vision steeped in nostalgia for his tranquil London boyhood: a country in which people were polite to each other, the law was respected and common sense prevailed. The golden age of the Thatcherites may be the 1980s; but for John Major it is the 1950s.

The prime minister looked comfortable in his chosen decade. His speech was fluent. The words, whether they were berating upstart journalists, disloyal colleagues or misguided socialists, seemed spoken from the heart. Mr Major's most attractive attributes have always been modesty and courtesy. Yesterday he successfully conjured up a Dixon of Dock Green world, free from Miami Vice: and it was enough to complete a successful week and buy himself more time in the real world in which to rebuild his battered political position.

Those people who are most nostalgic for that era miss its certainties. "We live in a world," said the prime minister, "that sometimes seems to be changing too fast for comfort. People are bewildered." What the country needs, he thinks, is not less Conservatism but more Conservatism — a vision that touched the hearts of much of his conference audience, particularly the older Tory activists who were well represented this year. They loved his calls to join in the responses from the floor. It was a performance to grace Blackpool's pier as much as its Winter Gardens. Mr Major did not use the words "permissive society", but his advisers clearly wanted the speech interpreted as an attack on that ethos.

Many of his targets were easy to hit. Everybody now hates tower blocks. All parents want their children to learn to read, write, spell and add up. Fear of crime is widespread and there is growing dismay about the ability of the criminal justice system to tackle it. No one — not even the "Royal Corps of columnists" — wants British soldiers to die abroad for no purpose

The argument is over the policies that make those dreams real. It took Margaret Thatcher, not Marx or Harold Wilson, to liberate the working classes. This was her greatest achievement. In the 1950s, working-class people who wanted to better themselves were accused of betrayal. If their children went to grammar school, they were abused. Mrs Thatcher allowed them not just to harbour aspirations but to meet them.

For the majority whose aspirations were met, this was an exhilarating experience. Society became more fluid, class less important. But a few were bound to be left behind. And that underclass who remained poor became increasingly detached, both psychologically and physically, from good examplars of law-abiding people in jobs. The social pressures that might once have steered a young man away from crime were dissipated. Yet at the same time his aspirations were excited by other people's enrichment and his bitterness therefore became all the greater.

None of that excuses the rise in crime in the 1980s. But it helps to explain why Britain cannot be wished back to the 1950s. The very deference whose disappearance politicians mourn was in those days a constraint both on how people lived and how much they knew about how politicians lived. Born into one class, they were expected to die also in that class, and to know their place all through their life. Mr Major desires classlessness, yet he risks appearing to yearn for a society in which class determined the limits of most people's opportunity.

Moreover, Mr Major offered only the sketchiest of road maps to his destination. As he conceded, "governments can't make people good." Apart from Michael Howard's initiatives on crime, there was little hint of what the government could do, short of exhortation, to take society back to older values. The policies on the near horizon are hardly consonant with Mr Major's vision. Where does coal privatisation sit with a return to 1950s Britain, with a country seeing "more conservativism, not less"?

The world has changed much in the past 40 years, in some ways for the good, in others for the bad. Many of these changes are irreversible: women, for example, are not going to withdraw wholesale from the workforce and return to the pinafore. The old country can, however, be conjured up for a few hours in front of the right audience. For John Major yesterday that was enough.

UNCOMFORTABLE BEDFELLOW

Political debate in Greece has sunk to a new low

Greece, the cradle of Western democracy, goes to the polls tomorrow. Alas, 2,500 years is a long time in politics: the contest inspires little confidence at home or abroad. The two main contenders, Constantine Mitsotakis and Andreas Papandreou, are both in their mid-70s and in frail health. They offer voters little beyond a Byzantine mix of cronyism, vendetta politics and cooked-up nationalist grievances. After a campaign embittered by personal enmity, the victor will not have won a mandate to tackle the country's deep-seated problems. The economy, distorted by a bloated state sector, is stagnant. But political energy is misdirected to Greece's dangerous entanglements in neighbouring Balkan conflicts. In three months Greece takes over the presidency of the European Community. Just when fresh thinking post-Maastricht is most needed, the EC will instead be led by a country preoccupied with domestic political feuds.

The indications are that Greece will return Mr Papandreou. This would be a personal triumph for a man who has survived heart attacks and whose past would in most other democracies have doomed his candidacy long ago. He has offended public morality with a well-publicised adulterous affair and escaped conviction on embezzlement charges by a single vote in a special criminal court. From what can be gleaned from his limited campaigning, Mr Papandreou has learned little from his previous disastrous tenure in office. Inflation, 22.8 per cent when he was last in power, has only just come down to 12.8 per cent; yet he now promises large wage rises. He has softened his former anti-EC rhetoric but seems to believe he can blackmail the richer northern states into shoring up Greece's economy, despite his failure when in office to honour the terms of a previous EC loan. He has repudiated any blame for the financial scandals that engulfed his last government, and seems intent on regaining office mainly to prove that the evidence against him was fabricated.

Mr Mitsotakis has pursued policies far more likely to restore Greece to economic health and international approval. But he is deeply unpopular for cutting pensions and social security benefits while raising public utility prices and petrol taxes sharply. Above all, he has been vexed by the Macedonia question, an emotional issue exploited both by the Pasok opposition and by young nationalists in his own New Democracy party. By blocking compromise, Greece has further strained the patience of its EC partners. It has destabilised the former Yugoslav republic, fabricated a Turkish threat in the Balkans and painted itself into a corner from which there seems little easy escape even after tomorrow's election.

If, as seems likely, Mr Papandreou is returned to office tomorrow, he can expect the courteous congratulations of his partners, but a wariness born of eight difficult years of dealing with his previous government. He must now convince them that he can lead the Community, as well as his own country, along a rational, balanced and responsible path. He has much baggage to shed before he can set out.

THE GAME OF THE NAME

The faults of language lie in its users, not its dictionaries

There is strong magic in names. Pity the inoffensive lexicographers, whose job is to record a language objectively. They cannot help causing offence, because language belongs not to objective linguists, but to all its users. The sun shines equally on the articulate and the taciturn, the foul-mouthed and the polite, the pious and the profane.

The latest offence, called blasphemy by some evangelicals, has arisen at the name of Jesus. *The New Shorter Oxford English Dictionary*, published last month, has defined the name Jesus accurately and more economically than before. But the offence has been caused by its inclusion of secondary meanings, such as use of the name as an interjection expressing surprise, dismay, disbelief and relief, "creeping Jesus" as a derogatory epithet, and "Jesus freak" as a person combining a lifestyle like that of a hippy with fervent evangelical Christianity.

Language is not autonomous, but is as badly behaved as the people whose unique tool it is. Disagreements in the world of words reflect disagreements in the real world. So, dictionaries can never satisfy partisans in defining contentious political places such as Palestine or Ulster, or in recording taboo or offensive words. They offend business by recording the vulgar transition of proprietary names for ballpoint pens or vacuum cleaners into generic names. The Oxford University Press won historic litigation to defend its recording of "Yid", once an inoffensive back-formation from "Yiddish" originally used by Jews, but later turned into ugly abuse by anti-Semites.

There is a natural progression for famous proper names to become common and generic. To blame the lexicographers for recording common usage commits the irrational and primitive error of shooting the messenger. It is as superstitious as the tribes that dislike uttering their own names, and misunderstands language as much as the folklore of forbidden names such as Rumpelstiltskin which, when discovered, break the evil power of their owners.

Even Dr Johnson was not so lost in lexicography as to forget that names are the daughters of earth, earthy, and that things are the sons of heaven. The calling of evangelists is to spread their belief, and the power of the name of the carpenter's son from an obscure Roman province 2,000 years after his death. The function of dictionaries is to record language as it is used, often imperfectly in this imperfect world. Lexicographers should attach warning labels to dangerous words. But to censor in order to avoid offence or gratify crusaders in any cause would be to betray their profession.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Should a suspect's silence be seen as evidence of guilt?

From Mr Richard Ferguson, QC, Chairman of the Criminal Bar Association

Sir, Your editorial today on the home secretary's law and order proposals states that "a suspect's silence will simply become an item of evidence". That means an item of evidence to be used against an accused person — an item of evidence to be added to the prosecution case against him.

The fundamental principle of our criminal law is that the burden of proving guilt is on the prosecution. The law does not look to the defendant to provide evidence against himself.

The Criminal Bar Association strongly opposes any diminution of the right to silence. It will not help to convict the terrorist or the sophisticated criminal. They will hide behind their solicitor's advice or the lack of it to argue reasonable grounds for not answering questions. It will increase the possibility of a wrongful conviction of the weak, the inarticulate or the confused. It will not make it easier to convict the guilty. It may well make it easier to convict the innocent.

Yours, etc,
RICHARD FERGUSON,
Chairman,
The Criminal Bar Association,
1 Crown Office Row, Temple, EC4.
October 7.

From Mr Guy Herbert

Sir, "In practice, however, all that is proposed is a change to the rules of evidence," you say. In practice, however, it is only the rules of evidence that make a fair trial fair.

Yours faithfully,
GUY HERBERT,
20c Scala Street, W1.

From Mr Jonathan Fuller

Sir, Mr Michael Howard's proposal to allow an inference of guilt from silence is unworkable. The right to silence exists at three stages of the criminal process — arrest, interview and at trial.

At the two latter stages, lawyers will continue to advise clients in their best interests, as before; after that advice has been given, the inference from silence may not be guilt but merely that the defendant has received certain advice and has chosen to take it.

If there is to be no more than an inference of guilt, the opportunity for advice from a solicitor, prior to his interview with the defendant, must be withdrawn; so, presumably, must the barrister's right to advise his client not to give evidence at trial.

As to remaining silent when arrested, presumably Mr Howard intends to do away with the present requirement that responses should be recorded and signed by the accused where appropriate. The wise and the wily will refuse to sign, thereby giving rise to later allegations of police "verballing" and unreliability.

Much the best choice is to leave things as they are, leaving the absence of satisfactory explanation in the face of incriminating evidence to the ever sensible layman on the jury.

Yours etc,
JONATHAN FULLER,
2 King's Bench Walk, Temple, EC4.

From Mr David Coffey

Sir, The right to silence is a fundamental human right. It is there to protect the weak, vulnerable and easily suggestible in our society. It should be strengthened, not removed.

Hardened criminals will not be affected one way or the other by its removal, which could increase the chances of innocent people being wrongly convicted with no obvious gains for law enforcement.

There is insufficient protection in other areas to circumvent this risk.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID COFFEY,
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From Mr Roger Smith

Sir, It is worth considering the practical implications of abolishing a defendant's right of silence, even if one is unpersuaded by the principled case for its retention or the evidence that it is much less exercised than generally thought.

Experienced criminals would simply adapt. The Royal Commission on Criminal Justice pointed out that they "will justify their silence by stating at trial that their solicitors have advised them to say nothing". The prosecution will find it hard to challenge a client for following his solicitor's advice.

This argument persuaded the majority of the royal commission to reject the idea. The commission noted that defendants currently behave in this way in Scotland, where comment on silence can, in some circumstances, already be made. Abolition of the right of silence would bear disproportionately on more vulnerable suspects, who we know are more disposed to make false confessions or confusing statements.

We cannot make changes like this without much more careful thought.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER SMITH (Director),
Legal Action Group,
242 Pentonville Road, N1.

From Mr Jonathan Davies

Sir, A year ago, when Britain withdrew from the ERM, we were forced to endure manipulation of economic policy for short-term political gain and to hear it announced to an ecstatic and mindless ovation from the Tory party conference floor.

Now, listening to the home secretary's abolishing of the "so-called right of silence", one could hear the same applause. This time one of the central tenets of the British constitution is being manipulated for a short-term political purpose. These men and women have no shame.

Yours sincerely,
JONATHAN DAVIES,
1 Middle Temple Lane, Temple, EC4.

From Mr Nick Locock

Sir, On apprehending suspects will policemen now warn them that "anything you don't say will be taken down and used in evidence"?

Yours silently,
NICK LOCOCK,
Greengates, Whitsbury,
Fordingbridge, Hampshire.

Bypasses are now Euro link roads

From Lord Bullock

Sir, On June 10 last you published a letter in which I drew attention to the widespread belief in Oxfordshire that the two bypasses which the Department of Transport plans to build in order to relieve traffic in north Oxford and Headington are in fact designed to form part of a major trunk route linking Felixstowe and Swindon and bringing much more heavy traffic into the Oxford green belt.

With the publication of its plans for that part of the route which will run through the neighbouring county of Buckinghamshire, the Department of Transport has at last admitted that our belief is right, and has stirred up a vigorous opposition in Buckinghamshire, as in Oxfordshire.

The full extent of the "hidden agenda", however, has only just become apparent with the revelation that the trunk route from Felixstowe to Oxford is to form a link in a Trans-European Road Network (Tern) to be developed by the year 2002.

The plan was drawn up by the European Commission's motorway working group, on which the Department of Transport is represented; it was approved by a European ministers' meeting in Luxembourg attended by John MacGregor on June 6 and has now been forwarded to the European Parliament transport committee.

I am moved to repeat the question with which I concluded my earlier letter: in view of the experience of Oxford and other cities such as Bath, has the time not come for the British Parliament to enquire into the Department of Transport's use of local bypass schemes to cover its pursuit of major strategic plans — in this case apparently involving a commitment to our European partners without prior consultation with the local authorities concerned or parliamentary discussion?

Surely this is not what the prime minister means by open government?

Yours truly,
ALAN BULLOCK,
St Catherine's College, Oxford.
October 4.

Top ten hymns

From Mr J. M. C. Clark-Maxwell

Sir, Andrew Morris's letter (October 2) about the favourite hymns of Bedford boys is interesting, but one should remember that young people can only choose from hymns they know. This restricts their choice to those chosen for them by their elders.

I remember one exception, however. At Eton in my day (the 1940s) one hymn was banned unless requested by a visiting preacher, and then dire warnings were given of the damage that might be done to the structure of the chapel by excessive enthusiasm. It was "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord".

Yours faithfully,
J. M. C. CLARK-MAXWELL,
The Mead House, Swallowfield,
Reading, Berkshire.

From Mr Keith Warner

Sir, The "top ten hymns" correspondence (September 25, October 2) has been informative, and it is encouraging to learn that one of our foremost educational establishments is both musical and enthusiastic. However, I doubt if even the strong community at Bedford School would show up too well singing "O Jesus, I have promised" to the tune Abbot's Leigh, which is of a quite different metre. The national curriculum has many challenging facets, but not, surely, insurmountable ones.

Yours musically,
KEITH WARNER,
Oakleigh, 49 London Road,
Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex.

Early greetings

From Mrs John Whicker

Sir, Further to Mrs Stella A. Walker's letter (October 4), it never fails to amaze me that the last official date for posting surface mail to most destinations seems always to be before the Post Office issues the Christmas stamps.

Yours faithfully,
JULIET WHICKER,
Broadhill Cottage,
Ockley Lane,
Keymer, Sussex.
October 4.

Abandoned trial

From Lord Spens

Sir, A High Court judge has ruled (report, October 8) that the policemen charged with certain offences in connection with the conviction of the Birmingham Six should not stand trial, since the publicity surrounding the overturning of those convictions had rendered a fair trial impossible. Accordingly they have been acquitted.

As a defendant in the Guinness trials of 1990-3, I find this an astonishing decision. Such an application was made to the judge many times during the course of those trials. On each occasion he threw out the idea. In this he was consistently supported by the Court of Appeal (Criminal Division).

The publicity on the Guinness trials far exceeded any publicity suffered by the unfortunate policemen. How can such a double standard be justified?

It seems that, where there is a strong political will, there can never be enough publicity to render a fair trial impossible — but where that will is weak, such trials can be properly ended. I wonder what the convicted defendants in the first Guinness trial must now be thinking.

Yours faithfully,
PATRICK SPENS,
Gould, Frittenden, Kent.
October 8.

From Mr Nicholas M. W. Gash

Sir, It is entirely right that there should be considerable amazement at Mr Justice Garland's ruling that the case against the three officers involved in the Birmingham Six case be dropped. The ruling that a fair trial was no longer possible because of intense publicity surrounding the case leaves open a similar claim by the alleged Lockerbie bombers.

It is hard to think of two people who have been so vilified in the media or had their guilt claimed so widely — even in the UN. This judgment must destroy any right we, as individuals or as a nation, may have to see the Lockerbie case tried in our courts.

Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS GASH,
32 Durford Road,
Petersfield, Hampshire.
October 7.

Two Canalettos

From Mr Brian Cummins

Sir, Roger Boyes asks if Dresden should "exchange its sky and river views, immortalised by the Italian master, Canaletto, in the 18th century, for a thousand jobs" ("Battle for Dresden's soul poses test of German identity", October 2). Dresden's Canaletto is not the Antonio Canale (1697-1768) famous here equally for his English scenes and Venetian waterscapes, but his nephew, Bernardo Bellotto (1720-80), whose own considerable reputation was established in central Europe and in Dresden, Vienna and Warsaw in particular.

Bellotto, identified widely in central Europe as Canaletto, moved from Dresden to Warsaw in 1767 and stayed there until his death. The citizens of Warsaw followed his work to help rebuild their city after the second world war, something perhaps that Dresden's citizens could emulate now.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN CUMMINS,
45 Church Road,
West Drayton, Middlesex.

Radio 1 regrets

From Mr Ian M. Ward

Sir, I listen to BBC Radio 1, though after recent events (report, September 28) I think not for much longer. The Radio 1 management seems hell-bent on alienating quite a sizeable proportion of its audience, those aged 25 and upwards, by systematically shedding DJs whose only crime is to give time to music that is actually played on musical instruments, rather than the mindless dross that fills the charts, and which seems to rely on the sampling of other people's talent and material to make a hit record or CD.

What is the "alienated" section of the Radio 1 audience supposed to listen to? Perhaps the BBC is not really concerned as we have reached our "sell-by" date. At 31 I consider that I am not ready for Radio 2 and the "JY Prog", yet do not wish to listen to music interspersed with commercials. What choice do I have left?

I remain (alienated), yours faithfully,
IAN M. WARD,
56 Stanley Road,
Great Yarmouth, Norfolk.

All flown away

From Dr Ian J. Dilworth

Sir, Since you published my letter on September 6 pointing out the dramatic fall in the butterfly population hereabouts (responses, September 10, 14) I have received letters from Cumbria, Derbyshire, Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, Essex, Suffolk, Devon and Brittany.

Sadly, all except the last report the same story — that this year the number of red admiral and peacock butterflies evident at each location varied from zero to a mere handful.

My French correspondent brightened the picture by reporting an unusual number of red admirals, peacocks and tortoiseshells swarming along the south Brittany coast; he suggested these were the result of three to four weeks of constant northerly winds. But I can only conclude that in England there has been a catastrophic loss in 1993.

Yours sincerely,
IAN DILWORTH,
Ashpound Cottage, Pound Lane,
Capel St Mary, Suffolk.

Have a seat

From Mr G. H. Threlfall

Sir, I am surprised that Lord Longford (letter, October 6) needs the Polite Society's help to resolve his problem of being offered a seat in the Tube by a young lady. If she offers her seat to somebody who *appears* to need it more than she, she is a lady. If he snubs her by refusing, embarrasses her by facetious remarks, and in doing so very likely discourages her from making any future offers to somebody who might really need the seat, he is no gentleman.

Yours etc,
G. H. THRELFALL,
38a Rossiter Road, SW12.
October 6.

From Miss Gill Mackenzie

Sir, The Polite Society may be unable to help Lord Longford, but he may take comfort from this. On several occasions men have offered me their seats when I was getting out at the next stop. Rather than make them look silly, I have gratefully accepted, travelled on past my destination and then come back again. If I were he I would accept the offer graciously. I understand his point about age and fully approve of the way he was brought up, but perhaps ladies too should be allowed to offer courtesy.

Yours etc,
GILL MACKENZIE,
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The Polite Society,
6 Norman Avenue,
Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.
October 7.

From Mr Donald Cameron

Sir, Lord Longford should take the seat and then invite the young lady to sit on his knee.

Yours faithfully,
DONALD CAMERON,
Little Bucksteep, Dallington, Sussex.
October 7.

Love and marriage

From Mr Huw Jones

Sir, Ruth Deech (letter, September 27) attacks government proposals for prospective divorcing couples to subject themselves to counselling and a cooling-off period before their divorce will be allowed. Those proposals derive from the Lord Chancellor's Department's requirement that funding in any divorce case, must be reduced. They are an almost inevitable step in the government's determination to cut the legal aid bill and they have almost nothing to do with improving the divorce process.

Such an approach, it seems to me, leads to nothing but delay, a feeling of disadvantage where funding is not available, and a worsening in the relationship between the divorcing parties and, so often, between them and their children.

No cooling-off period will do anything to assist those who are inclined to divorce well before reaching the doors of legal or any other advisers. Having made the agonising decision, both parties need support, counselling if wished, and properly funded and immediately available legal and other advice, to bring the trauma to an end as quickly as they both require.

Yours faithfully,
HUW JONES,
Humfrys & Symonds (solicitors),
1 Saint John Street, Hereford.

From Mrs Michael Chamberlain

Sir, How sad to read that Patricia and David Brewerton are "happier now than they have ever been" and that one of the reasons for this is that their three children have left home ("Lovely idea — shame about the reality", September 27). I wonder how their children felt on reading the article.

Why do people think that once their children have left home, that's it? Do they never have long telephone calls giving encouragement or praise to a child at university? Do they never give advice about mortgages, buying a car or planting a garden? In our case we are often a sounding board on many subjects, and what is even better, we are now asking our three children for their advice.

Our children have "left home" but I would hate to lose contact. We all support each other and have a lot of fun doing so. Our happiness is inextricably linked with our children.

Yours sincerely,
JOAN CHAMBERLAIN,
Chene House, 39 Floral Farm,
Canford Magna, Wimborne, Dorset.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 8: The Queen was present at the Marriage of Viscount Linley and the Hon Serena Stanhope which was solemnized at St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey, this afternoon.

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, The Princess of Wales, The Prince Edward, The Princess Royal and Commander Timothy Laurence, RN, and Princess Alexandra, the Hon Lady Ogilvy were also present.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 8: The Princess Royal, President, Royal Yachting Association, this morning attended the Finals of the BT/RYA National Match Racing Championships, Pwllheli Sailing Club, Outer Harbour, Pwllheli, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Gwynedd (Mr Meuric Rees).

CLARENCE HOUSE
October 8: Miss B. Leek today had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother when Her Majesty, on behalf of The Queen, decorated her with the Royal Victorian Medal (Silver).

ST JAMES'S PALACE
October 8: The Prince of Wales today was present at a Sea Day in Istanbul on board HMY *Britannia* (Rear Admiral Robert Woodard) organised by British Invisibles.

His Royal Highness this evening arrived at Dyce Airport, Aberdeen, from Istanbul.

Mr Stephen Lamport and Commander Robert Fraser, RN, were in attendance.

The Prince of Wales later attended a Dinner in aid of Cornerstone Community Care at Haddo House, Aberdeen and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Aberdeenshire (Captain Colin Farquharson of Whitehouse).

Commander Robert Fraser, RN, was in attendance.

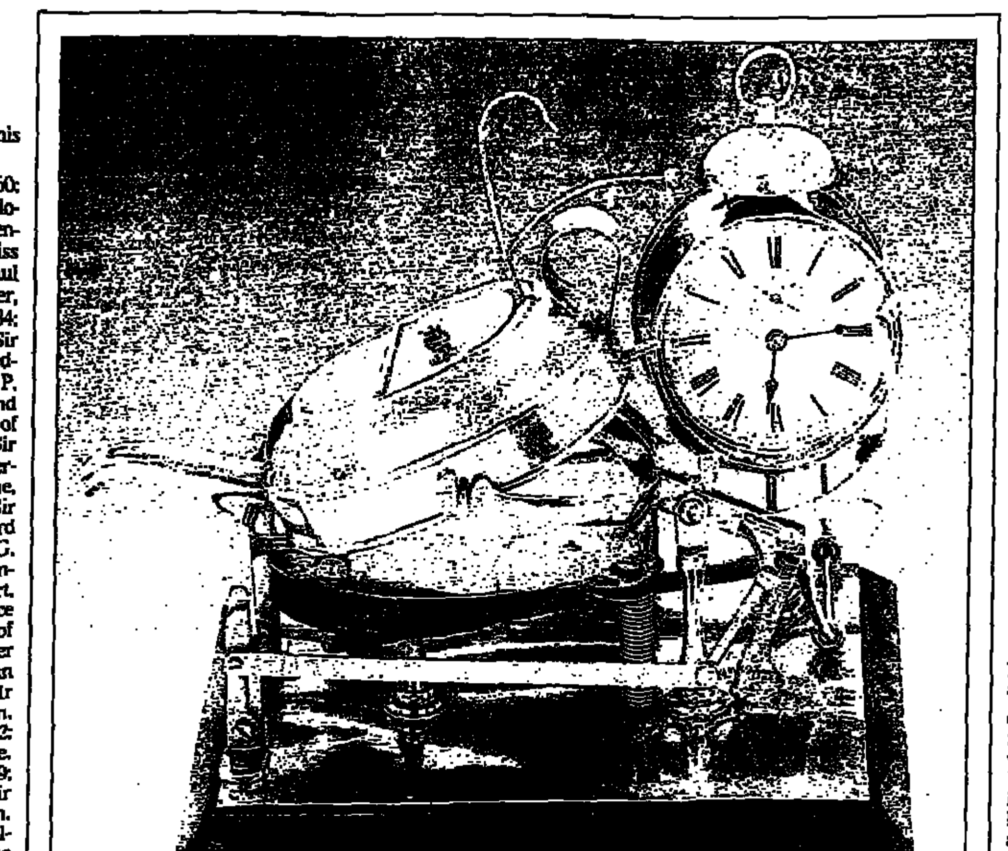
KENSINGTON PALACE
October 8: The Duchess of Gloucester was present this evening at a Dinner and Recital in aid of the Fan Museum, Greenwich at the Royal Naval College, London SE10. Miss Suzanne Marland was in attendance.

Weekend birthdays

The Duke of Kent celebrates his birthday today.

Today: Mr Joe Ashton, MP, 60; Mr Brian Blessed, actor, 56; Colonel W. S. Brownlow, Lord Lieutenant of County Down, 72; Miss Sally Burgess, singer, 40; Mr Paul Channon, MP, 58; Lord Chelmer, 79; the Right Rev Lord Coggan, 84; Dr William Cole, organist, 84; Sir Colin Corness, chairman, Redland, 62; Mr Denzil Davies, MP, 55; Mr Stuart Devlin, gold and silversmith, 62; Lord Donaldson of Kingsbridge, 86; Professor Sir Herbert Duthie, provost, University of Wales College of Medicine, 64; Mr Peter Elliott, athlete, 31; Sir David Goodall, diplomat, 62; Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, KG, CH, 86; Miss Mary Jarred, contralto, 94; Mr H.U.A. Lambert, former chairman, Sun Alliance Group, 68; the Duke of Manchester, 55; Professor Sir Peter Mansfield, physicist, 60; Sir John Margetson, diplomat, 66; Mr N.M. Mischler, former chairman, Hoechst UK, 73; Earl Nelson, 52; Miss Marianne Neville-Rolfe, principal, Civil Service College, 49; Mr Steve Ovett, athlete, 38; Sir Norman Payne, former chairman, BAA, 72; Mr John Pilger, journalist, author and film maker, 54; the Earl of Plymouth, 70; Commander Michael Saunders Watson, former president, Historic Houses Association, 59; Sir Michael Shaw, former MP, 73; Mr Donald Sinden, actor, 70; Colonel the Earl of Stair, 87; Mr Bill Tidy, cartoonist, 60.

Tomorrow: Sir John Cassels, former director-general, Nedo, 65; Mr Winston S. Churchill, MP, 53; Mr Charles Dance, actor, 47; Miss Laura Davies, golfer, 30; Mr Ted Edgar, showjumper, 58; the Right Rev A.I.M. Haggart, former Bishop of Edinburgh, 78; Sir Peter Kemp, civil servant, 59; Lord Kincraig, 75; Professor J.B. Large, professor of applied acoustics, 63; Mr Daniel Massey, actor, 60; Mr Nicholas Parsons, broadcaster, 65; Mr Harold Pinter, playwright, 63; Dr Brian Smith, principal, University of Wales College of Cardiff, 60; the Earl of Stockton, 50; Mr Chris Tarrant, broadcaster, 47; Mr Frank H. Taylor, former MP, 86; Mr G.F.M.P. Thompson, former chairman, Kleinwort Benson, 83; Mr Richard Thornton, Lord Lieutenant of Surrey, 71; Mr Midge Ure, rock singer, 40.



This early ancestor of the Teasmade, patented in 1903, sold for £2,500, twice the reserve, at Sotheby's in London yesterday. Made by the Automatic Boiler Company of Birmingham, tea-making begins when the alarm bell sets off a spring mechanism which strikes a match. The match lights a spirit burner which in turn heats the teapot. This is tilted automatically by a spring when the water boils. The seller, Ramon Newton, a retired teacher, said he bought the device from two elderly sisters: "They were a bit cranky and would not have electricity laid on." The buyer was a Portuguese collector.

Marriages

**Mr E.S. Connolly
and Miss E.A. Gurdon**
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 25, at the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Saffron Walden, of Mr Edward Connolly to Miss Aurea Gurdon. The Rev Keith Overton conducted the service, assisted by Canon Peter Harlow. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Iona, India and Alexander Barclay, Alexandra Rossi Erbe, Alfie Boyd and Orlando Diver. Mr Colum Lovett was best man and the lessons were read by the Lady Tara Crichton and Miss Penelope Goldsmith. A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Memorial service

Mr Peter Coni, QC
A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Peter Coni, QC, was held yesterday at St Mary's, Henley-on-Thames. Canon Alan Pyburn officiated. Judge Gerald Angel, Senior District Judge, Family Division, read the lesson and Mr Rodney Bewes read from Jerome K. Jerome's *Three Men in a Boat*. Mr James Crowden, Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire and Steward of Henley Royal Regatta, gave an address.

St Paul's Girls' School

St Paul's Girls' School announces the following awards:
Senior Scholarships: Abigail Faulkner, Alice Johnson, St Paul's Girls' School.
Senior Exhibitions: Chatsuda Chierakul, Fiona Hilton, St Paul's Girls' School.

Church news

The Ven Neil Robinson, Archdeacon of Suffolk, diocese St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, is to retire from April 30, 1994.

Forthcoming marriages

**Mr N.L. Allpress
and Miss M.F. Hudleston**
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr and Mrs L.W. Allpress, Cambridgeshire, and Marina, daughter of Major A.E. Hudleston, Dorset, and Mrs D.S. Hudleston, Hertfordshire.

**Mr C.N. Faulkner
and Miss P.A. von Bibra**
The engagement is announced between Christopher Nevinson, eldest son of Mr Michael Faulkner, of Melbourne, and Mrs Peter Carter, of Shoreham, Victoria, and Petille Anna, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Kenneth von Bibra, of Beaufront, Ross, Tasmania.

**Mr A.B. Hopwood
and Miss K.M.S. Care**
The engagement is announced between Bruce, eldest son of Mr David Hopwood and the late Mrs Hopwood, of Cove, Aberdeen, and Katherine, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs V.A. Care, of Belfast.

**Mr J.M. Parkhouse
and Miss S.J. Barker**
The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr and Mrs G. Parkhouse, of Isham, Northamptonshire, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr and Mrs B.J. Barker, of Barton-Le-Clay, Bedfordshire.

**Mr J.A. Rimmer
and Miss C.A. Rushton**
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of Mr and Mrs G. Rimmer, of Prestwich, Manchester, and Anne, younger daughter of Mr Peter Rushton, of Yelden, Bedfordshire and of the late Mrs Jane Rushton.

**Mr A.G. Smellie
and Miss J.M. Aston**
The engagement is announced between Angus Gordon, younger son of Mr and Mrs I.M. Smellie, of Orston, Nottinghamshire, and Jane Marie, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs P.A. Aston, of Hawarden, Clwyd.

**Flight-Lieutenant W.J. Wootton, RAF,
and Miss R.L. Lamey**
The engagement is announced between William James, elder son of Mr and Mrs Clive Wootton, of Guildford, Surrey, and Rachel Louise, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Rodney Lamey, of Limpley Stoke, Bath, Avon.

Law Society results

The Law Society Summer 1993 examination results published yesterday failed to show the following candidates had first class passes. This was due to a technical problem.

Adams C E; Adams N C H; Ahmad Y Z; Akinjide O A; Alcock J A; Alcock M C; Alexander J L; Allen M J; Allison K L; Amies S J; Ansbro K E; Appleby M; Aspden A M; Atkins N A; Atkinson D J; Atkinson S J; Bacon C M L; Baker J D J; Bal T P S; Banks A J; Bartlett S M; Bate L; Bateman O E; Bateson C E J; Batiye C L; Baylin S A; Bell C M; Bell N J; Benjamin N; Bennett A D; Bessant A A; Beynon F M R; Billington S; Blackman J J; Blythen K L; Boothroyd R; Bowler S J; Bowley J; Bradford A J; Brand P A; Brealey I J; Britten F L; Britton I G M; Broadbent J C; Brown P L; Brown R M; Buchanan K; Buckley D E; Bumpus N; Burden A M; Burge H C; Butt A; Butterfield F R; Campbell C V J; Campbell-Smith J M; Carne B J; Carrick S; Cavell J R B; Chester N L; Ching P C; Clark C R; Clarke D; Clarke D K; Clarke J; Clifton R W; Cochrane S R; Cohen E L; Colby S D; Collin A J; Collings V J; Collins J P; Connolly E J; Connor T A; Cook S R; Copeland-Wright G; Cordell N; Cox A D B; Cristie L A; Crook E D; Cross K J; Dale L S; Dawkins P C; Dawson A L; Day R A; Dobbs S J; Doughty R J; Doyle R E; Durston H S; Edelaar F J A; Edgell J L; Ennis R J; Entwistle L; Evans E N J; Evans I P; Freeman C; Freeman J E; Frewer A E; Gard W J M; Gardner D R; Glover S; Godson A; Grace E M; Gray L C; Grimble J E; Hains R L; Hammond E L; Handley A; Hannell S C; Hannen P; Hardy B P; Harrison L J; Harrison R E; Head S E; Heffron D G; Henry J S; Henwood J M; Hibbert L; Hill W; Hinchliffe L K; Holmstrom S; Holt N R; Horsley D M; Humbert M T; Hunter-Brown R; Ihingan A K; Jones N J; Kamhi M; Kelly A; Kelly N J; Kendall E J; Kennedy M F; Kerry L; Key A M; Knaggs R J; Kurkdjian S L; Lawrence J; Lawrence M J; Leak N I; Lebeter C G; Leigh V L; Lock J; Lockhart A E; Loftus J D; Loverseed R J; Lovis S J; Lyons R J; Mackechnie F C; Mackenzie Stuart J M; Mackie P; Maddock C E; Mallick P D; Martin F M; Martin S J; Maughan R F; Mccamley L E; Mcginty A J; Mcguinness S; Mclaughlin C P J; Mcnamara N M; Meghriche R D A; Michael E; Middleditch M D; Millar S M; Mobsby S A J; Morgan C L; Morris A L; Morrison K; Mortlock V; Moss J; Mullen G; Murphy N T; Newington A K S; Newton C E; Norris R J; Nurock N J; O'Neil M T; Palmer T M; Parsons S C; Paul M A; Pennington K; Pitt M A J; Powell C H; Powell H K; Rait C; Ramsey J H; Richards G R; Richards J E; Rickman B C; Roberts J R; Robertshaw K A; Ross J L; Sabberton J M; Salmon H S; Salmon V B; Sansom S M; Sayers D; Scott A C; Shanmuganathan N; Silver D R H; Smart M; Smith C A; Smith M C; Smith S B; Sneddon A W D; South C; Sproule D; Starling J A; Stein M; Stockton M J; Stonehill C E D; Suddards H V; Summers R A; Sumner A L; Taberham J E; Tang C F J; Taylor C J; Taylor G M W; Taylor M A M; Taylor P; Thomas A T; Thomas K M S C; Thomas P; Thompson A; Timmins C L; Truelove M C; Tuggey M G; Turner E D; Turner F C; Turner J M; Vaid S K; Van Den Berg A M; Verity A L; Waddell S; Waller N D R; Walsh B A; Walton P A; Ward C M; Wardell A R; Webb H E; Webster L; Wells K L; Westwood S J V; Whetnall S; Whittle S J; Whitworth J C; Whyte A N; Wickham G S; Wilkinson J N R; Williams A J; Williams G E; Williams R H; Wilson R C; Wood M G; Wood T H; Woodrow N C; Wright D A; Wright G; Wright P J G; Wyatt B; Wykes B K; Yates J J; Yip M F

Anniversaries

Today
BIRTHS: Charles Camille Saint-Saëns, composer, Paris, 1835; Nikolai Bukharin, revolutionary, Moscow, 1888; Jacques Tati, actor and film director, Paris, 1908; John Lennon, singer and songwriter, Liverpool, 1940.

DEATHS: André Maurois, novelist and biographer, Paris, 1967; Che Guevara, guerrilla leader, Bolivia, 1967; Orson Welles, actor and film director, Hollywood, 1985.

Breathalyser tests for motorists came into force, 1967.

Tomorrow
BIRTHS: Jean-Antoine Watteau, painter, Valenciennes, France, 1684; John Abercrombie, physician, Aberdeen, 1780; Giuseppe Verdi, composer, Parma, Italy, 1813; Paul Kruger, President of the South African Republic 1883-1902, Colesberg, Cape Colony, 1825; Fridtjof Nansen, Arctic explorer 1861; William Morris, 1st Viscount Nuffield, Worcester, 1877; Alberto Giacometti, painter and sculptor, Stampa, Switzerland, 1901.

DEATHS: Fra Filippo Lippi, painter, Spoleto, Italy, 1469; William Wilkie, "the Scottish Homer", 1772; Sir Ralph Richardson, actor, London, 1983; Yul Brynner, actor, New York, 1985.

A German bomb wrecked the high altar of St Paul's Cathedral, 1940.

Royal engagements

Today: The Princess Royal, as Patron of Minchinhampton Centre for the Elderly, will attend a piano recital at Stroud Subscription Rooms, Gloucestershire, at 7.25.

The Duke of Gloucester, as Deputy Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Logistic Corps, will attend the Lamb Trophy military skills competition at the Princess Royal Barracks, Blackdown, at 10.30.

Tomorrow: Princess Margaret, as Grand-President of St John Ambulance, will attend the Order of St John for South and West Yorkshire triennial service of re-dedication in Wakefield Cathedral at 2.50.

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Dinners

Incorporation of Weavers, Fullers and Shearmen
The Mayor of Exeter and the Headmaster of Exeter School were the guests of honour at a dinner given by the Master, Wardens and Court of Assistants of the Incorporation of Weavers, Fullers and Shearmen last night at Tuckers' Hall, Exeter. Mr J.L. Maunder, Master, presided.

Magdalen Society
Lord Rodgers of Quarry Bank was the principal speaker at the annual dinner of the Magdalen Society held last night at Gray's Inn. Mr Gerald Bowden presided and Mr Anthony Smith, president, also spoke.

Service luncheon

The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment
The Officers' Club of The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment held a ladies luncheon yesterday at Clandon Park, Surrey. Brigadier M.J. Doyle presided.

Service dinners

Company of Pikemen and Musketeers
The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, attended the annual feast of the Company of Pikemen and Musketeers of the Honourable Artillery Company held last night at Armoury House. Major R.L.L. Davis, Captain, presided.

55 Squadron
Wing Commander A. Beedie and officers of 55 Squadron held a dinner last night at RAF Marham to mark the retirement of the last V-Bomber from RAF service. Air Commodore D.A. Hurrell, Mr J. Allan and Mr M. Cobham spoke.

Lady Gould

The life barony conferred upon Mrs Joyce Brenda Gould has been gazetted by the name, style and title of **Baroness Gould of Potternewton**, of Leeds in the County of West Yorkshire.

Church services tomorrow

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.30 M, Rev D M Lindsay; 11 S Euch, Missa Brevis (Berkeley), God be in my head (Radcliffe), Dr Gillian Evans; 3.15 Canterbury Festival E, Responses (Walsh), Stanford in A, Give unto the Lord (Elgar), The Dean; 8.30 Concert with St Petersburg State Choir.

CARLISLE CATHEDRAL: 10.30 S Euch with Strathclyde University Chamber Choir, Toccata avante la Messa bella Domenica (Frescobaldi), Missa super Mon coeur se recommande à vous (Lassus), Ave verum corpus (Elgar), Toccata Nu la oss takke Gud (Hovland), Canon Ronald Johns; 6.30 NP, Mr Leslie Boumphrey.

CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.30 Parish Communion, Canon Paul Brett; 11.15 The Justice Service, Responses (Smith), I was glad (Parry), Jubilate in C (Britten), Locus iste (Bruckner), The Lord Bless you (Rutter), Canon Roger Royle; 6 Choral E, Responses (Smith), Canticles: Statham in E minor, Greater love (Ireland), The Provost.

COVENTRY CATHEDRAL: 7.40 MP (Gethsemane Chapel); 8 Communion (Lady Chapel); 10.30 Cathedral Euch, Coronation Gloria (Stanford in B flat), God be in my head (Leddington Wright), Jubilate (Walton), Requests (Caesar), Ven Ian Russell, Archdeacon of Coventry; 3 Meissen Declaration Service (Chapel of Unity); 5.30 E, God be in my head (Leddington Wright), Responses (Smith), Stanford in B flat, clap your hands (Gibbons).

DURHAM CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10 M, Short Service (Gibbons), Deliver us, O Lord our God (Batten), Canon Coppin; 11.15 HC, Missa brevis in D (Mozart), The Dean; 3 Durham Celebrates, A Service for the County, The Bishop; 4.30 EP.

ELY CATHEDRAL: 8.15 HC; 10.30 Harvest S Euch attended by King's School, South African Mass (Bertalot), The Lord's Prayer (Fanshawe), Organ: Carillon-sortie (Mulet); 4 Harvest Songs of Praise, Give unto the Lord (Elgar), Organ: Introduction & Toccata (Choveaux); 8.30 Vespers (Lady Chapel).

LEICESTER CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10 MP; 10.30 S Euch, Stanford in C, Glory, love and praise and honour (Harris), The Provost; 4 Choral E, Responses (Smith), Bairstow in D, O all ye works of the Lord, Benedicite (Sumsion); 6.30 Young Farmers Service with The New Parks Community College School Band, The Bishop of Leicester.

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL: 7.45 Litany; 8 HC; 9.30 S Euch, Darke in E, Ave verum corpus (Elgar), The Dean; 11.15 M, Responses (Leighton), Stanford in C, O thou the central orb (Wood); 12.30 HC; 3 Diocesan Harvest Festival, Thou visitest the earth (Greene), The Sub Dean; 4.30 E (Longland Chantry).

LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10.30 S Euch, Missa Brevis (Berkeley), Thou visitest the earth (Greene); 3.30 E, Responses (Rose), Jackson in G, Insanae vanae (Haydn).

LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL: 7.30 M & Litany; 8 Holy Euch, Ven R H Roberts; 9 Parish Euch, Ven R H Roberts; 11 S Euch, Vaughan Williams in D minor, Ave verum corpus (Mozart), Rev J F Redvers Harris; 12.15 Holy Euch (Lady Chapel); 3.30 Choral E, Canticles (Purcell in B flat), Insanae et vanae curae (Haydn); 6.30 Parish E & Sermon, The Dean.

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL: 8.45 MP; 9 HC; 10.30 Judges' Service, Te Deum in B flat (Stanford), How lovely (Brahms), The Bishop of Manchester; 12 HC; 2 Far East Prisoners Of War Service; 6.30 E, Responses (Ayleward), Ave verum corpus (Mozart), Canon Albert Radcliffe.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: 9 HC; 11 Choral Euch, Mass (Stravinsky), And I saw a new heaven (Bainton), To thee, O Lord (Rachmaninoff), Canon Roy White; 3 E, Rubbra in A flat, Give us the wings of faith (Bullock), Canon Richard Thomson.

TRURO CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9 M, The Deacon; 10 S Euch, O taste and see (Vaughan Williams), Darke in F, Tantum Ergo (Nicholson), Voluntary: Intrada (Grayston Ives), The Deacon; 6 E, Responses (Sanders), Wood in D, Archieved is the glorious work (Haydn), Voluntary: Choral Song (Wesley), The Librarian.

WELLS CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.45 S Euch, Rev F de N Lucas; 11.30 M, Collegium Regale (Howells), Cantique de Jean Racine (Fauré); 3 E, Bairstow in D, Lord thou has been our refuge (Bairstow), Ven J E Burgess, Archdeacon of Bath.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: 8 HC; 10 M, Responses (Ayleward), Stanford in C, O for a closer walk (Stanford), Canon Colin Semper; 11.15 Abbey Euch, Missa brevis (Walton), Set me as a seal (Walton), O sacrum convivium (Messiaen), Rev Jonathan Goodall; 3 ES in five parts (Weelkes), I love the Lord (Harvey), Rev Patience Purchase; 5.45 Organ recital, Martin Neary; 6.30 ES, Rev Paul Ferguson.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30 & 7 Mass; 10.30 SM, Missa brevis in D (Mozart), Exaltabo te, Domine (Palestrina), Ave verum corpus (Byrd), Overture in C minor (Hollins); 10 MP; 2.30 Organ recital, Iain Simcock; 3.30 Solemn V & B, Magnificat primi toni (Victoria), O salutaris hostia (Rossini), Adagio in E (Bridge).

YORK MINSTER: 8 & 8.45 HC; 10 S Euch, Mass for four voices (Byrd), Very Rev John Southgate; 11.30 North Eastern Circuit Annual Service, Jubilate in B flat (Stanford), Jesu, joy of man's desiring (Bach), Very Rev Christopher Campling; 4 E, Responses (Byrd), Stanford in A, Hail, gladdening light (Wood), Rev Canon Ronald Metcalfe.

ST ASAPH CATHEDRAL, Clwyd: 11 Choral M, Responses (Smith), Jubilate & Te Deum (Britten in C), Never weather beaten sail (Shephard), Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue on a theme of Vittoria (Britten), The Dean.

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: 6pm Sat LM; 8, 10 (Family), 6 LM; 11.30 SM, Fr Anthony Barratt; 2 Ghanaian Mass.

ST GILES' CATHEDRAL, Edinburgh: 8 HC, The Minister; 10 HC, Missa brevis (Gabrieli), The Minister; 11.30 MS, Jubilate Deo (Philips), The Archbishop of Canterbury; St Giles' at 6, George Watson's College; 8 ES, The Minister.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, London: 8 HC; 10.30 M, Responses (Morley), Te Deum (Britten in C), Jubilate (Britten in E flat), Ven George Cassidy, Archdeacon of London; 11.30 HC, Jackson in G, Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Bairstow); 3.15 E, Rubbra in A flat, Hail gladdening light (Wood), Voluntary: Pax vobiscum (Karg-Elert), Rev Mark Ashton.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, Dundee: 8 HC; 9.40 S Communion; 11 Choral Euch, Missa Brevis (Willis), God which hast prepared (Mudd), The Provost; 6.30 Choral E, Brewer in D, Listen sweet dove (Ives), The Provost.

ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street, W1: 8 & 5.15 LM; 10.20 MP; 11 HM, The Western Wynde (Sheppard), Give us the wings of faith (Bullock), Rev C L Geake; 6 E & B, Purcell in B flat, Exultate Deo (Palestrina), The Vicar.

ALL SOULS, Langham Place, W1: 11 Communion, Rev Christopher Hobbs; 6.30 Rev Preb Richard Bewes.

AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Tottenham Court Rd, W1: 9.45 Sunday School; 11 Worship, Rev James Schmidt.

THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street, W1: 11 Missa brevis (Gabrieli), Sing we merrily (Batten), Tantum ergo (Duruflé).

CHELSEA OLD CHURCH, SW3: 8 HC; 10 Children's Service; 11 M, O sing joyfully (Batten), Rev P Elvy; 12.15 HC; 6 E, Voluntary for full organ (Greene), Rev P Elvy.

CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Covent Garden, WC2: 11 & 6.30 Rev Stanley Hood.

FARM STREET, W1: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15, 4.15, 6.15 LM; 11 HM.

HOLY TRINITY BROMPTON, Brompton Road, SW7: 9 HC, Rev Sandy Millar; 11 Informal Service (Creche & Children's Church), Rev Sandy Millar; 6.30 Informal Service, Rev Tom Gillum.

THE ORATORY, Brompton Road, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Nelson Mass (Haydn), Ave Maria (Parsons), 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & B, Alma redemptoris mater (Gregorian Chant).

ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF ST SAVVA, Lancaster Road, W2: 10.30 Divine Liturgy, traditional Serbian choral music sung in Church Slavonic.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, EC2: 9.45 HC; 11 MS, Rev Paul Hulme.

WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Methodist), SW1: 11 The Lord Soper; 6.30 Rev R John Tudor.

ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran), Gresham St, EC2: 11 Choral HC (Harvest Festival Service), Rev Tom Bruch; 7 Lutheran Choral Vespers, Prelude & Fugue in D for organ (Bach), Rev James D Schmidt.

ST BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, Smithfield, EC1: 9 HC; 11 M, Short Service (Byrd), O Lord, in Thy wrath (Gibbons); 6.30 E, Short Service (Byrd), Make ye joy to God (Byrd).

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 11 Choral M & Euch, Jubilate (Jackson in G), Byrd four part mass, Tantum ergo (Duruflé), Canon John Oates; 6.30 Choral E, Responses (Sumsion), Evening Canticles (Ward First Service), Hear my prayer (Mendelssohn), Canon John Oates.

ST CLEMENT DANES: 9 HC; 11 MP, Wesley in E, O Lord increase my faith (Gibbons), Rev G B McAvoy; 12.15 HC.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Pont Street, SW1: 11 & 6.30 Very Rev R Leonard Small.

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square, W1: 8.30 HC; 11 S Euch, Missa brevis (Darlow), Faire is the Heaven (Harris), The Rector.

ST JAMES'S, Sussex Gardens, W2: 8 HC; 10.30 S Euch, Schubert in G, Give us the wings of faith (Bullock), Sermon by Intercare; 6 Choral E, Second Service (Leighton), En Priere (Faure), Rev Graham Buckle.

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CARTER - On October 3rd, 11.57 am in Tenerife, to Helen and Colin, a beautiful daughter, Grace Lee.

COOMBS - On October 7th to Nicola (née Pringle) and Richard, a daughter, Rebecca Mary.

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DEATHS

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SALE - On October 5th 1993, whilst enjoying a game of golf, William Freckleton (Bill), aged 60 years. Beloved Husband of Tessa, Father to Louise, Joffy and Charlotte and proud Grandfather to Jack and Archie. Private cremation followed by a service at the Parish Church of St Clement, Sandwich on Thursday October 14th at 3.00pm, all friends welcome. No flowers please but donations if desired to The St. Clement Church Appeal Fund c/o The Rectory, Knightrider Street, Sandwich, Kent. Memorial service to be arranged.

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AGNES de MILLE

Agnes de Mille, choreographer, died in Manhattan, New York, on October 7 aged 88. She was born on September 18, 1905.



AGNES de Mille was the most influential choreographer of her time. Bridging the worlds of musical theatre and classical ballet, she was best known for her seminal choreography for the musical *Oklahoma!* and for her ballet *Rodeo*.

Unlike her contemporary, Martha Graham, who invented a new vocabulary for dance, de Mille's work was a logical, if startling, consequence of the mainstream ballet tradition. In her dances, ballet took on an identifiably American freedom and a vernacular acting style which often took precedence over purity of line. "Never mind the arabesque," she would shout to a dancer in *Fall River Legend*, her dramatic ballet about the axe-murderess, Lizzie Borden, "*feel* the scream".

It was a rare musical where de Mille's influence was not immediately obvious even to the untrained eye. Choreographers as different as Jerome Robbins and Bob Fosse, Gower Champion and Gillian Lynne, Michael Bennett and Mikhail Baryshnikov have absorbed what she demonstrated about the extension of natural movement into dance with the underpinnings of classical technique.

Born in New York, she was the daughter of the playwright William C. de Mille, granddaughter of Henry George, the single-tax economist, and niece of the movie mogul, Cecil B. de Mille, who told her she was too ugly for movies or the theatre.

She graduated with honours from the University of California with a degree in English and only then decided to train for the ballet in London with Marie Rambert and Karsavina. By now too old for a career as a classical ballet dancer, she recognised her own talent for character sketches in dance form and she stayed in London for several years, making dances for herself and giving dance concerts. "My reputation was small," she said recently, "small but pristine".

She returned to New York in 1928, already anticipating the themes she was to pursue all her choreographic life. But she was young and poor and, as she said, "I played the piano for rehearsals, I arranged and copied music, I designed costumes, shopped for material, cut and stitched, packed, pressed and hung, I learned lighting, lit and ran performances, I took charge of printing, wrote copy and advertisements, organised photographic sessions, signed leases, devised and signed contracts, made up the payroll and kept the books . . . So the first time I walked into a theatre I was the master of the situation."

Her first major musical theatre assignment was Cole Porter's *Nymph Errant* in London in 1933 starring Gertrude Lawrence. During the next decade she struggled for commissions and ballet jobs and was the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo's third choice as choreographer of a wartime ballet exemplifying the heroic qualities of American working people. "I was lucky to get the chance to do *Rodeo* in the first place. It was right at the start of the war and they thought they ought to do an American ballet on an American subject by an American and, of course, all they had at the time was a lot of Russian stuff . . . They didn't much like it but threw up their hands in despair, held their breaths, and took the risk."

The milieu selected by this New Yorker-turned-Californian was the pioneer West. She chose another penniless American, the composer Aaron Copland, and insisted that she herself dance the lead at the opening. Using the steps of classical ballet she created movement which seemed both natural and stylised. Her observation of the way people and animals actually move was translated in *Rodeo* into impressionistic motion and a simple story of a tomboy trying to win the chief cowboy by feats of riding and wrangling became a revolutionary advance in the use of classical ballet as naturalistic theatre.

It was an immediate triumph both for her choreography and for her energetic portrayal of the cowgirl. She was never a great dancer but a pirated scrap of old film of her performance shows her to have been an incandescent performer and she took 22 curtain calls. As a result, she said wryly, she received a salary rise from $15 a performance to $30. But she had to beg for it. In the audience that night in October 1942 were both Oscar Hammerstein II and Richard Rodgers who were working on their first collaboration, a musical adaptation of *Green Grow the Lilacs*.

Up to this point, most dancing in musicals had been interruptions to the story or accompaniment to the songs. The dances she made for what became *Oklahoma!* strengthened the story line, defined the characters, used classical as well as modern movements and showed the audience different aspects of the plot that were implicit in the dialogue or songs.

Oklahoma! was a smash hit and Agnes de Mille then had the pick of every Broadway musical. She did Kurt Weill's *One Touch of Venus* (1943), Harold Arlen's *Bloomer Girl* (1944), Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Carousel* (1945), Lerner and Loewe's *Brigadoon* (1947) and *Paint Your Wagon* (1951) and about a dozen more, including several which she both directed and choreographed.

Concurrently with her Broadway success she continued her ballet career, the only choreographer ever to do so successfully. *Fall River Legend* (1948), her dance-drama for Ballet Theatre, was her acknowledged balletic masterpiece. Based on a true story, de Mille became so convinced of Lizzie Borden's guilt despite her acquittal that she rewrote history in her ballet and then wrote a book about it.

She had her own Agnes de Mille Dance Theatre in the Fifties and, in the Sixties, was instrumental in many of television's early experiments in contemporary dance and proved a lively and knowledgeable television presenter.

She continued to develop her interest in American history and folk dance throughout her career and, in 1973, she finally succeeded in putting together The Heritage Dance Theatre, a survey of indigenous American dance which she devised, choreographed (with Katharine Dunham and others) and narrated. An hour before its New York première in 1975 she suffered a massive cerebral haemorrhage that left her right side paralysed.

Self-pity was never part of her personality. To well-meaning fans who commiserated about the cruel blow of fate that had denied her, a dancer, the use of one side of her body she would snap, "Rubbish. It makes more sense for this to happen to someone who knows how to use her muscles than someone who doesn't."

Eight months later, in July 1976, she was back on stage at American Ballet Theatre's world première of her bicentennial ballet *Texas Fourth* and a year later she performed her interrupted *Conversations About the Dance* with the Joffrey Ballet.

She was known for her piercing intellect and wicked sense of humour. After her stroke she learnt to use both in order to get through long days in the rehearsal room. She never stopped working. She could be gentle with an intimidated young dancer but merciless with bureaucracy or what she contemptuously called "shirking".

A tireless campaigner for more government support for the arts she was a founding member of the National Council for the Arts, the American equivalent of the Arts Council, and was frequently called to give evidence before the United States Congress. Senators and Congressmen always looked forward to her no-nonsense presentations, her encyclopaedic grasp of the issues and the erudite humour she used to present them.

Her writing had a grace and style which made her many books eminently readable as well as informative. At eight she wrote a book about costumes. Noël Coward, who was never known for empty compliments, called her "a bloody good writer".

Always eloquent, she was never more so than in her description of what it means to be a dancer. "To take the air. To challenge space. To move into space with patterns of shining splendour. To be at once stronger and freer than at any other time in life. To lift up the hearts of those who watch. To be carried on their response. And to walk once more in majesty, with an ancient glory breathing around, united to the spirits of the dedicated dead. For dancers this is enough."

In 1943 she married Walter Prude, a distinguished agent and classical music impresario who died in August 1988. She is survived by their son, Jonathan, who is a professor of history in Atlanta, Georgia.

WILLIAM SALE

William Freckleton Sale, chairman of Kent County Cricket Club and headmaster of Wellesley House School, Broadstairs, 1967-1990, died on October 5 aged 60. He was born on July 12, 1933.



AS SKILLED at man-management as he was at teaching, Bill Sale was for 23 years headmaster of one of the foremost preparatory schools in Britain. Such attributes continued to serve him well when, in spite of having had to retire early through ill health, he became chairman of Kent County Cricket Club and oversaw considerable improvement both on and off the field.

Handsome, charming and always immaculately dressed, Sale had the presence of an ambassador. Yet his entire career was spent in schoolmastering. For the most part, this was on the Kent coast at Broadstairs where, in the 1960s and 1970s, numerous prep schools were clustered. In time, Sale successfully bridged the divide between the proprietor-headmaster and the modern independent school run by a trust.

William Freckleton Sale was educated at Wellington College and Pembroke College, Oxford. After graduating with a degree in history and spending his two years National Service as a sub-lieutenant in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, he became an assistant master at St Anselms in Bakewell, Derbyshire. In 1960 he moved to Kent and embarked on a career at Wellesley House that lasted 30 years.

In 1964 Sale became, for three years, joint headmaster with John Boyce. He was then appointed, at the age of only 34, the first non-proprietor headmaster of Wellesley, gathering around him some young, gifted teachers who were to remain with him throughout his incumbency. The school increased in size, merging with St Peter's Court in 1969 and in 1977 becoming one of the first fully boarding prep schools to take girls. The number of pupils was now nearly 200, almost too many for the space available.

Under Sale, Wellesley had a reputation for both academic and sporting excellence, although he cared just as much for those pupils of limited ability. When Sir Colin Cowdrey's three sons were at the school, Sale would arrange for him to come and bat against the First XI bowlers and the masters. The half-a-crown (12½p coin) that Cowdrey placed on his stumps was invariably won by his eldest son, Christopher, who went on to captain England, saying that the best cricketing advice he received was when he was at Wellesley.

This was high praise. Not surprisingly, Sale was in demand to serve as a governor of other schools — he was on the board of West Heath when the Princess of Wales was there and also helped shape the development of Aysgarth in North Yorkshire — and became vice-chairman of the Incorporated Association of Preparatory Schools. He was at the height of his career in 1980 when he had to undergo major heart surgery. He had just been informed of the need for a further operation when the hurricane of October 1987 caused a part of the school to collapse, trapping two boys in the rubble.

They survived but ill-health, coupled with the stress of having been one of the longest-serving headmasters in the country, caused Sale to retire just before his 57th birthday. With his wife, Tessa, he moved down the coast to Sandwich and turned his attentions to the affairs of Kent County Cricket Club which, since the retirement in 1974 of Les Ames, had fallen victim to divided counsels. Sale, an MCC member and chairman of Broadstairs CC from 1969 to 1983, succeeded in fostering a greater sense of unity within the club.

In 1992 Kent were runners-up in the county championship and reached the final of the Benson and Hedges Cup. This year they were runners-up in the Sunday League. Their finances were now better managed. In spite of losing his voice, Sale still managed to control and quash a resolution at Kent's annual meeting last March opposing the introduction of coloured clothing in the Sunday League. He himself had not been in favour of it, just as he disliked the apparent slovenliness of some of England's cricketers in India last winter, but he remained loyal to the Test and County Cricket Board.

A fortnight before his death, Sale saw Kent attract their largest crowd at Canterbury — 12,000 — for 21 years. His other main sporting interest was golf. Last Tuesday he collapsed and died after characteristically hitting a fine drive to the 17th hole at The Knole, Sevenoaks.

He is survived by his wife, a son and two daughters.

WALTER OAKLEY

Walter Oakley, CBE, former chairman of the Polytechnic of Central London, died on September 28 aged 91. He was born on February 13, 1902.

THERE can be few industrialists in our country who have given such long and unremitting service to higher education as Walter Oakley. He was first appointed to the Court of Governors at The Polytechnic in Regent Street in 1956. Until that time The Polytechnic had been led by the Hogg dynasty, and their close associates in the Studd family.

Francis Walter Oakley was educated in Dundee and then at the University of Edinburgh. He read for the Bar and was called by the Middle Temple in 1928. Like so many of that era, he did not practise as a barrister but entered industry, working for the Automatic Telephone and Electric Company, which subsequently became part of the Plessey Group. He rose to become a director of the company.

It was no easy task for an industrialist to take over the leadership of an academic institution with such strong traditions in education, sport and social activities and such diverse coverage. Lord Hailsham, grandson of the founder, led the Court of Governors in identifying Oakley's outstanding qualities and especially his concern for the work of The Polytechnic as a whole.

When the then government decided to expand higher education by launching a new set of institutions, they selected the name introduced into the English language by The Polytechnic in Regent Street. It was a matter of some disappointment and annoyance to Oakley and the governors to be told they could not retain the name "The Polytechnic" now that there were to be some 30 polytechnics. However, they settled for the Polytechnic of Central London (now the University of Westminster). Oakley retained his role through the formation of the Polytechnic of Central London until he retired from the chair in 1982, having served as chairman for 20 years.

During that period he presided over one of the fastest-growing higher education institutions in the country. Under Oakley the Court ensured that the Polytechnic of Central London retained its open and accessible character.

With 12,000 part-time students it remained the largest provider of part-time higher education in the UK and he vigorously encouraged the growth of short, mid-career courses which served 20,000 students, the largest programme in Europe. Oakley's era saw the foundation laid of one of the country's largest universities, a contribution which was recognised by his appointment as CBE in 1975.

His wife Deryn predeceased him, dying last year.

KENNETH NELSON



Kenneth Nelson, actor, died from an Aids-related illness on October 7 at the Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, London, aged 63. He was born in North Carolina on March 24, 1930.

KENNETH NELSON was one of the most gifted and versatile actors of his generation. Small and slight, with expressive dark eyes and pixie-like good looks, he came to prominence as an engaging leading man in Broadway musicals. Yet it was as the tortured gay misfit in the first explicit homosexual drama, *The Boys in the Band* — a role that in some ways mirrored the complexities of his own life — that he became a star, both on stage and screen.

Born in Rocky Mount, North Carolina, the son of Frederick Nelson and his wife, Rachel Barro, he was educated at Brackenridge High School in San Antonio, Texas, and at Baylor University, Waco, where he studied drama, later becoming a pupil of one of Germany's most powerful actresses, Uta Hagen.

He made his Broadway debut at the age of 21 at the Broadhurst Theatre, New York, in a musical version of Booth Tarkington's comedy of adolescent love, *Seventeen*. Within a year, his face was familiar all over the United States as Henry Aldrich in the American TV soap opera *The Aldrich Family*. In 1960, he played Matt Hucklebee, the tenderest of juvenile leads, in what became the longest-running musical in theatrical history, *The Fantasticks*.

But it was a dramatic role in complete contrast that made him a star in 1968. In *The Boys in the Band*, Mart Crowley's jaundiced study of New York's homosexual subculture, he played Michael, the vicious, alcoholic host at a gay birthday party in Manhattan. Nelson's bravura performance, complete with witty impersonations of Betty Grable, Judy Garland and Bette Davis, dominated the off-Broadway production and was repeated, to even greater critical acclaim in the London production at Wyndham's Theatre in 1969, and in the film version, released in 1970. In the same year, he returned to Broadway to play *Sakini*, the wily Okinawan interpreter, in *Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen*, a musical adaptation of the Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy, *Teahouse of the August Moon*.

In July 1971 he co-starred with Cleo Laine in the West End revival of *Show Boat* at the Adelphi Theatre, and thereafter settled permanently in London, where he played the lead in the thriller, *Lover*, in 1973, and appeared with Julia McKenzie and Una Stubbs in *Cole* in 1974, based on the words and music of Cole Porter. He was reunited with Una Stubbs in a second Porter anthology, *Oh! Mr Porter*, at the Mermaid in 1977, and in the same year gave an outstanding performance in David Mamet's graphic account of American low-life, *Sexual Perversity in Chicago*.

At the Victoria Palace in 1978, Nelson had another hit as Sheila Hancock's villainous brother Rooster Hannigan, in the musical, *Annie*. But a second teaming with Cleo Laine in *Colette*, a musical by her husband, John Dankworth, lasted only six weeks at the Comedy Theatre in 1980.

On television, Nelson gave striking performances in *The Trial of Lee Harvey Oswald*, in the BBC series, *Edge of Darkness*, and with Anthony Hopkins in *Lace* and *Lace II*. In 1987, at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, he gave all his magnetic style and charisma to the role of Julian Marsh, the ruthless impresario in *42nd Street*, stopping the show nightly with the title-song and also with "Lullaby of Broadway".

Openly homosexual, he surprised his friends in 1972 by marrying Antoinette Genillard, whose family owned the Dene Hotel, Rottingdean, formerly the family home of Stanley Baldwin's wife, Lucy Ridsdale. Miss Genillard, now the London theatrical agent and casting director Toni Nelson, never lived with her husband and the marriage was widely believed to be one of friendship, arranged to enable him to remain in Britain and share his life with a series of male partners. They were never divorced.

A practising Buddhist, his religion gave him an open and philsophical attitude to his illness, when he was diagnosed as being HIV-positive in 1989. He is survived by his wife and by his sister, Naomi Burns, who was with him when he died.

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DEATH OF MARIE LLOYD

A GREAT COMEDIENNE

We regret to announce the death of Miss Marie Lloyd, the famous variety actress and singer, which occurred early on Saturday morning at her residence at Golders Green. In her the public loses, not only a vivid personality whose range and extremely broad humour as a character actress were extraordinary, but also one of the few remaining links with the old music-hall stage of the last century. Mr Leon Pollock, the manager of the Edmonton Empire, thus describes her last appearance on any stage: "This was on Tuesday last at the second house here. She gave her first performance almost as brightly as of old, although it was obvious she was not very well. I was called to her dressing room afterwards and found that she was very ill indeed. A doctor was sent for and he very strongly advised her not to go on a second time. 'You ought to go home immediately,' he said, but Marie would not listen to him, and when she went on she could hardly stand. Throughout the hall none of the audience thought that she was ill. It was the Pagliacci business again. Herself and myself alone knew the tragedy that was being enacted. Her last song was 'A Ruin that Cromwell knocked about a bit,' in which she had to imitate the staggerings and clumsy buffoonery of a drunken woman. Her weakness was mistaken by the audience for fine comic acting, and they shrieked with laughter as she fell." She had had a serious illness some time ago, but recovered sufficiently to appear at the Alhambra last month. The audience on that occasion were extraordinarily enthusiastic. Repeatedly they "called" and she made a brief speech of thanks. She was due to return to the Alhambra on October 16. The music-halls of the East End — the old Falstaff, Old-street, Belmont's Sebright, and the Star, Bermondsey — were a valuable experience for her, and led the way to the Bedford and the Middlesex, Drury-lane. It was at the latter hall — the site of which is now covered by the Winter Garden Theatre — that she made her first step in that popularity which never deserted her, with "The Boy that I love sits up in the Gallery." It is a great tribute to her powers that she maintained her popularity to the end, being indeed "booked up" for some years ahead. But she did not presume on her fame, for she was a very hard worker, always studying touches from real life wherewith to build up her intimitable impersonations.

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Of some 50 songs that she made popular, "Oh! Mr Porter, What shall I do?", "Everything in the Garden's lovely" and "Tiddly-om-Pom" are the best remembered.

NEWS

Major wins some time

■ John Major won time yesterday by appealing directly to the gut instincts of traditional Tory supporters and signalling his readiness to embrace the party's rightward shift.

The prime minister lifted the pressure on his leadership by encouraging the Conservative party to reassert its natural desire for loyalty and unity..... **Pages 1, 2, 8, 15**

Royals go on display

■ When Buckingham Palace meets the King's Road the result is a coruscating fashion display. Many watching the wedding of Viscount Linley and the Hon Serena Stanhope at St Margaret's, Westminster, remarked that now you can get away with wearing pretty well anything..... **Pages 1, 3**

Officer accused

A Royal Green Jackets officer is accused of murdering his parents after celebrating his mother's birthday..... **Page 1**

Banana protest

British holidaymakers have been caught up in violent protests by banana growers in the Caribbean island of St Lucia..... **Page 1**

Jesus outrage

Jesus has been re-defined by *The New Shorter Oxford English Dictionary* as "a Jewish preacher regarded by his followers as the Son of God"..... **Pages 1, 15**

Families lose

Two families who blamed their children's cancers on their fathers' exposure to radiation at the Sellafield nuclear reprocessing plant have lost their battle for damages..... **Page 2**

Paedophile killed

Prison inmates are being questioned after a paedophile who was part of a ring that killed three boys was found strangled in his cell..... **Page 3**

Greek confidence

Andreas Papandreou, eminence grise of Greek socialism, has predicted a triumphant return to power for his party in the general election..... **Pages 13, 15**

Kray supporters

Hundreds of supporters are to demand the early release of the Kray twins, the former London gangland bosses jailed for life for murder..... **Page 5**

Iraq discovery

The UN mission to Baghdad has disclosed "radical new data" on Iraq's chemical weapons capability, according to Rolf Ekeus, the enquiry leader..... **Page 12**

Georgia move

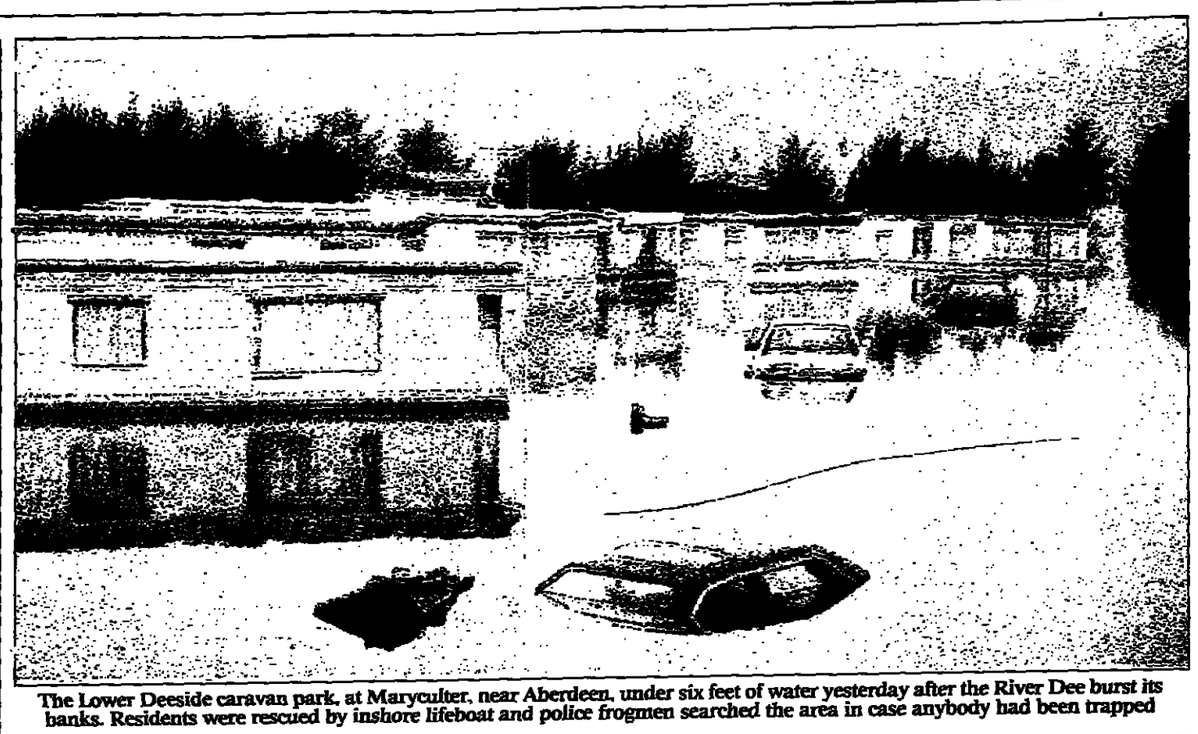
Eduard Shevardnadze, the Georgian leader, is to take Georgia into the Russian-dominated commonwealth..... **Page 13**

Kasparov check

Garry Kasparov was checked twice by police while taking late-night walks in Regent's Park when it was closed..... **Page 7**

Gorby Show is on its way

■ The Mikhail Gorbachev lecture tour is to be brought to Britain by the impresarios who imported the Bolshoi Ballet and the Moscow State Circus. Billed as "The man who changed the world", the former Soviet president will arrive in the UK just before the Russian elections on December 12..... **Page 6**



The Lower Deeside caravan park, at Maryculter, near Aberdeen, under six feet of water yesterday after the River Dee burst its banks. Residents were rescued by inshore lifeboat and police frogmen searched the area in case anybody had been trapped

BUSINESS

Jobs lost: Plymouth's Devonport dockyard is being forced to make 500 employees redundant just months after winning an important Navy contract to refit nuclear submarines..... **Page 19**

Vote lost: Shareholders in Greycoat, the property company, have rejected a rescue bid from the Post Office and British Telecom workers' pension fund..... **Page 20**

Pair profiled: The two men who run the giant Coats Viyella textiles empire are the subject of the first in a series of Partners in Power. Susan Gilchrist finds a boardroom of startling contrasts..... **Page 21**

Markets: The stock market closed at another record high, even though there was no slackening of the stream of profits warnings that has been a feature of the week. The FT-SE 100 index closed up 16.2, at 3108.6. The pound closed at DM2.4608 and $1.5359..... **page 22**

SPORT

Boxing: Nigel Benn puts his reputation and the WBC super-middleweight title on the line at Old Trafford as he meets Chris Eubank..... **Pages 34, 36**

Golf: Severiano Ballesteros put a disappointing season behind him with a second round 65 in the Belgian Open to take a four-shot lead over his two Ryder Cup colleagues, Nick Faldo and Bernhard Langer..... **Page 31**

Football: Joe Jordan, who stepped in as caretaker-manager at Celtic following Liam Brady's resignation on Thursday, resigned from the club amid reports that Lou Macari, the Stoke City manager, had been approached to take over at Parkhead..... **Page 36**

Rugby union: Jeremy Guscott, the England centre, faces a battle for fitness if he is to play against the All Blacks at Twickenham in seven weeks' time..... **Page 34**

WEEKEND

All the fun of the book fair: Literary agent Giles Gordon reports from Frankfurt on the outrageous hype of the book business..... **Page 1**

Apple-pie order: A new book traces the rise and fall of our favourite fruit — and applauds the British cooking apple..... **Pages 3, 5**

Slurping and canoodling: Hattie Ellis on the the latest in high-class, high-tech food from Japan — noodles, tasty and versatile but almost fat-free..... **Page 5**

Scents of autumn: Francesca Greenoak seeks out late-flowering roses..... **Page 7**

Here be dragon-boats: Alasdair Riley discovers the fast and furious appeal of one of Britain's fastest-growing watersports..... **Page 10**

Power breakfast: The Georgians gave us equality of the sexes at the dinner table and breakfast parties. The first of a series of extracts from *The Art of Dining*..... **Page 10**

ARTS

Abbado's finest hours: This month's *Times* CD Direct choice is Claudio Abbado, the Italian conductor who succeeded Herbert von Karajan at the Berlin Philharmonic. Four of his finest discs, including Beethoven's Fifth and Mahler's Fourth, are available to *Times* readers, all at a specially reduced price..... **Weekend page 14**

In step with Mandela: The London Contemporary Dance Theatre has premiered a work about South Africa which includes references to "necklaces" and an appearance by a dancer portraying Nelson Mandela..... **Weekend page 14**

Dido revived: After four centuries or more gathering dust, an early Marlowe play called *Dido, Queen of Carthage* has been staged in London — in black leather. "If you are going to revive Marlowe's most neglected play, is this really the way to do it?" Benedict Nightingale enquires..... **Weekend page 14**

Daley Thompson, Viv Richards and Magic Johnson are black sportsmen who have reached the top. *Will to Win* (BBC2, 7.40pm) explains how..... **Page 35**

Years of gold

The golden age of the Thatcherites may be the 1980s; for John Major it is the 1950s..... **Page 15**

Uncomfortable partner

All the indications are that Greece will return Mr Papandreou to power..... **Page 15**

At the name of Jesus

Lexicographers should attach warning labels to dangerous words..... **Page 15**

SIMON JENKINS

I first met Mrs Suzman 15 years ago in her house in Johannesburg, where she shocked me by telling racist jokes about Afrikaners. I had spent much of the day hearing Afrikaners tell racist jokes about blacks, but soon learnt that gallows humour was a normal release under apartheid..... **Page 14**

FRANK FIELD

The father had always paid maintenance for his child despite the fact that he had been deserted by his wife. Now his payments have been more than doubled. Here was a man who wishes his marriage had continued and is now being told to increase considerably the support paid to the woman who refuses to live with him..... **Page 14**

The implications if the right to silence is lost..... **Page 15**

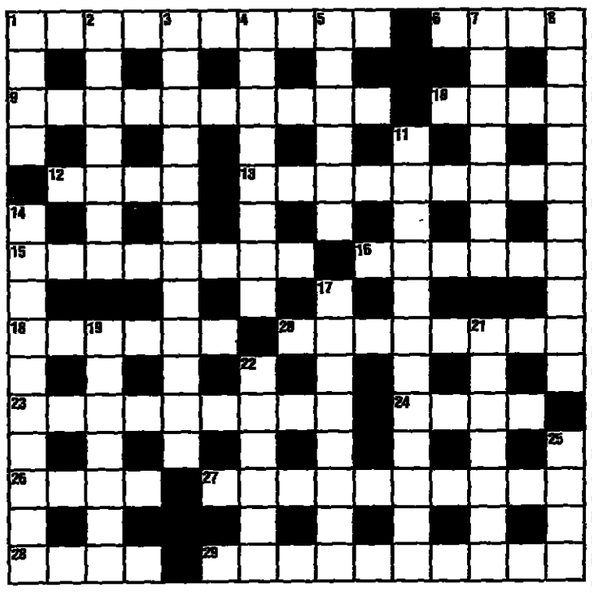
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ACROSS

1 Deteriorate, as ski racers do (2,8).
6 Yellow polish (4).
9 Some tack, turning transport into the wind (10).
10 By the sound of it, like a mole (4).
12 Criticise fish (4).
13 Light on in home's switched...(9).
15 ...off, current being extinguished (8).
16 Distressing smoke beginning to twist about (6).
18 On the way back we tucked into divine bananas (6).
20 Tip left in boat (8).
23 Bulb may be used to produce this curry, and pickle (9).
24 Scoff at being taken in by French art (4).
26 Employed American man (4).
27 Long nettle leaf (4-6).
28 Entertainer shot in error (4).
29 With prohibition in force, take a peg to match (10).

DOWN

1 Crippled in match (4).
2 Around Sandhurst refrain from sleeping (7).
3 Bird raising din about animal with intent (12).
4 Leadership from man with jewel, only short of money (8).
5 Look girl up in lounge (6).
7 Marrying a single person in the capital of Guyana (7).
8 Imported? Not very likely (3-7).
11 Term Anne gets wrong — "Alienation" (12).
14 Wandering around Slough, hear evidence of amusement (5,5).
17 Medicament produced by new Testament characters, following one in Old Testament (8).
19 From Persia, concealing garment (7).
21 Keep it laced tight (7).
22 Light up cigarette end? Can soldier? (6).
25 Money raised for flood protection, they say (4).

Solution to Puzzle No 19,351

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WEATHER

Northern Ireland and Scotland will be cloudy with outbreaks of rain. There will be showers over southern England at first and further showers will develop over the rest of England and Wales. Border areas of northern England may have more persistent rain. The showers will die out this evening. It will be a cooler day than yesterday in many places and windy in parts of eastern Scotland and southern England. Outlook: staying unsettled.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	23	73	s	Madrid	13	55	s
Alicante	27	81	s	Majorca	19	66	f
Alex'dria	27	81	s	Malaga	21	70	s
Algiers	24	75	s	Malta	28	82	s
Amst'dm	16	61	s	Miami*	32	90	t
Athens	25	77	s	Milan	17	63	f
Bahrain	33	91	s	Montreal*	19	66	s
Bangkok	30	86	c	Moscow	11	52	f
Barbados*	27	81	f	Munich	18	64	f
Barcelona	18	64	s	Nairobi	24	75	c
Belgrade	28	82	s	Naples	26	79	s
Berlin	18	64	s	N Delhi	32	90	s
Bermuda*	27	81	f	N York*	22	72	s
Biarritz	17	63	s	Nice	18	64	s
Borde'x	14	57	f	Oslo	12	54	c
Brussels	15	59	f	Paris	17	63	f
Budapst	24	75	s	Peking	23	73	s
B Aires*	25	77	s	Perth	17	63	c
Cairo	31	88	s	Prague	15	59	f
Cape Tn	18	64	f	Reykjavik	6	43	f
Chicago*	28	79	s	Rhodes	25	77	s
Ch'church	13	55	f	Rio de J	22	72	f
Cologne	16	61	f	Riyadh	35	95	f
C'phagn	12	54	fg	Rome	25	77	f
Corfu	25	77	s	Salzburg	20	68	f
Dublin	14	57	c	S F'risco*	17	63	s
Dubrovnik	24	75	s	Santiago*	15	59	s
Faro	21	70	s	S Paulo*	18	64	c
Florence	16	61	f	Seoul	24	75	s
Frankfurt	16	61	s	Sing'por	32	90	f
Funchal	22	72	f	Sr'kholm	13	55	f
Geneva	12	54	r	Strasb'rg	13	55	r
Gibraltar	21	70	s	Tangier	18	64	c
Helsinki	9	48	r	Tel Aviv	28	82	s
Hong K	28	82	s	Tenerife	25	77	f
Innsbrck	16	61	f	Tokyo	17	63	r
Istanbul	22	72	s	Toronto*	24	75	s
Jeddah	34	93	s	Tunis	27	81	f
Jo'burg*	19	66	f	Valencia	20	68	s
Karachi	33	91	s	Vanc'ver*	14	57	s
L Palmas	24	75	f	Venice	20	68	r
Le Toquet	16	61	s	Vienna	21	70	s
Lisbon	17	63	c	Warsaw	18	64	s
Locarno	13	55	r	Wash'tom*	22	72	s
L Angels*	20	68	c	Wel'ngton	13	55	r
Luxembg	12	54	c	Zurich	13	55	r
Luxor	34	93	s				

* denotes figures are latest available

LIGHTING-UP TIMES

London 6.51 pm to 6.44 am
Bristol 7.00 pm to 6.54 am
Edinburgh 6.58 pm to 7.02 am
Manchester 6.57 pm to 6.55 am
Penzance 7.14 pm to 7.05 am

TODAY

Sun rises: 7.14 am — Sun sets: 5.21 pm
Moon rises: —— — Moon sets: 3.05 pm

New moon October 15

London 6.48 pm to 6.46 am
Bristol 6.58 pm to 6.56 am
Edinburgh 6.55 pm to 7.04 am
Manchester 6.54 pm to 6.57 am
Penzance 7.11 pm to 7.06 am

TOMORROW

Sun rises: 7.16 am — Sun sets: 6.18 pm
Moon rises: 12.24 am — Moon sets: 3.36 pm

New moon October 15

Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations 1989: The hours of darkness are defined in these Regulations as the period between half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise.

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	-	0.88	11	52	rain
Aviemore	-	0.43	9	48	rain
Belfast	0.2	0.28	13	55	shower
Birmingham	6.6	0.10	14	57	sunny
Bognor Regis	5.1	0.22	15	59	shower
Bournemouth	5.9	0.18	15	59	bright
Bristol	6.8	0.06	15	59	sunny
Buxton	6.0	0.38	12	54	bright
Cardiff	8.2	0.05	14	57	sunny
Clacton	6.9	0.28	15	59	bright
Edinburgh	-	0.57	13	55	rain
Exmouth	6.8	-	14	57	sunny
Falmouth	8.7	0.13	13	55	shower
Folkestone	7.7	0.55	15	59	sunny
Guernsey	7.3	0.05	17	63	sunny
Hastings	7.4	0.76	15	59	bright
Hunstanton	7.2	0.16	15	59	sunny
Leeds	0.4	0.38	14	57	shower
Littlehampton	5.3	0.31	15	59	shower
Liverpool	1.7	0.20	13	55	shower
London	5.1	0.12	15	59	bright
Lowestoft	6.8	0.30	16	61	bright
Margate	6.0	0.35	15	59	shower
Morecambe	0.1	0.19	13	55	rain
Newcastle	2.8	0.65	16	61	thunder
Newquay	6.6	0.19	13	55	shower
Nottingham	5.5	0.18	14	57	sunny
Penzance	7.8	0.04	14	57	sunny
Plymouth	8.7	0.02	14	57	sunny
Poole	4.8	0.10	15	59	shower
Sandown	5.3	0.28	15	59	shower
Scarborough	0.7	0.07	13	55	cloudy
Scilly Isles	8.8	0.03	14	57	sunny
Shanklin	5.0	0.24	14	57	shower
Southend	7.3	0.19	15	59	bright
Southsea	5.3	0.41	15	59	shower
Stornoway	-	0.25	10	50	rain
Swanage	5.6	0.22	14	57	bright
Teignmouth	9.4	0.01	14	57	sunny
Tenby	5.2	0.09	14	57	shower
Torquay	8.4	0.02	14	57	sunny
Weymouth	7.5	0.07	15	59	sunny

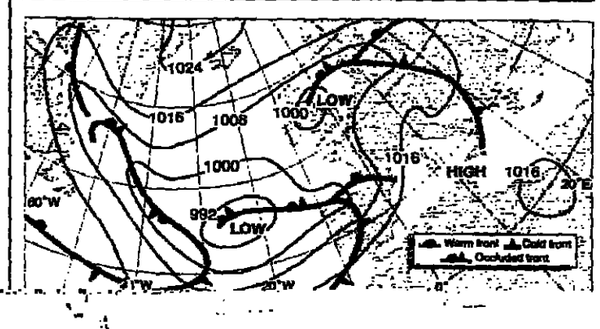
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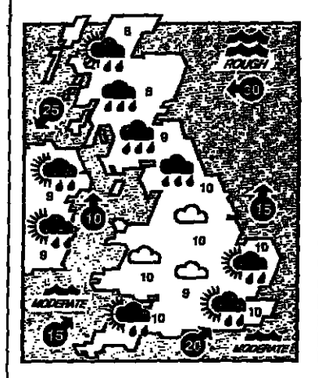
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	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.41	2.21
Austria Sch	18.44	16.94
Belgium Fr	56.70	52.30
Canada $	2.15	1.99
Cyprus Cypf	0.795	0.735
Denmark Kr	10.62	9.82
Finland Mrk	9.39	8.59
France Fr	9.14	8.44
Germany Dm	2.62	2.41
Greece Dr	372.50	347.50
Hong Kong $	12.43	11.43
Ireland Pt	1.095	1.015
Italy Lire	2545.00	2350.00
Japan Yen	179.00	168.50
Malta	0.610	0.555
Netherlands Gld	2.94	2.71
Norway Kr	11.39	10.69
Portugal Esc	268.00	247.50
South Africa Rd	5.90	5.00
Spain Pts	207.50	193.50
Sweden Kr	12.81	12.01
Switzerland Fr	2.30	2.12
Turkey Lira	18800.00	17800.00
USA $	1.62	1.49

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NOON TODAY







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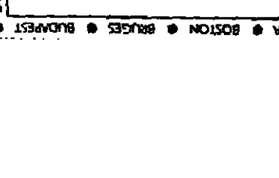
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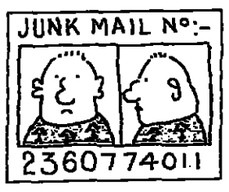
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German mark .... 2.4612 (-0.0095)
Exchange index ..... 80.9 (same)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT-SE 100 ..... 3108.8 (+16.2)
Dow Jones ..... 3580.63 (-2.80)*
Nikkei Avge 20378.64 (+113.01)

INTEREST RATES

London Bank Base 6%
3-month Interbank..... 5⅞-5¾%
US Federal Funds..... 2¾%*
3-month Treas Bills. 2.98-2.96%*
Long Bond 5.92%*

CURRENCIES

New York:		London:	
£:$	1.5380*	£:$	1.5355
$:DM	1.6045*	£:DM	2.4676
$:SWfr.	1.4060*	£:SWfr.	2.1563
$:Ffr	5.6273*	£:Ffr	8.6410
$:Yen	105.50*	£:Yen	161.99
£:SDR	1.0762	£:ECU	1.2942

London Forex market close

GOLD

London Fixing ($):
AM 357.85 ..... PM 358.50
Close 357.80-358.40
New York:
Comex 360.25-360.75*

RETAIL PRICES

RPI ..... 141.3 August (1.7%)
* Denotes midday trading price



Devonport dockyard, victor three months ago in a fight with Rosyth for Trident refit work, is shedding jobs after losing out to other competitors

Protests as 500 jobs are axed at Devonport

BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

FIVE hundred jobs are to go at Devonport dockyard in Plymouth, the yard's management announced yesterday — three months after it won a long-running battle for a £5 billion government order to refit Trident nuclear submarines.

The announcement provoked a storm of protest from local union leaders and MPs, who said the management had "betrayed" the workforce which had fully supported the fight to win the Royal Navy refit order against a rival bid from Rosyth dockyard in Scotland.

Devonport Management, the management company which runs the yard, said that about 500 jobs would go over the next six months at all levels and in all areas of work, bringing the yard's total workforce down to 4,400.

While the company will try to achieve the cuts through voluntary redundancy, unions at the yard are sceptical that this can be done, and privately expect many of the redundancies to be compulsory.

Further job losses — probably another 500, though some local estimates put the figure as high as 1,000 — look likely. The yard, still Plymouth's largest employer, has seen more than 8,000 job losses in the past decade.

The cuts come days after the government's formal confirmation of its decision announced in June to award to Devonport the contract to refit Britain's Trident submarines, which will guarantee jobs well into the next century. The decision prompted champagne celebrations among the Devonport workforce.

But the refit contract work will not start until 1999. Rosyth, which lost out to Devonport in the prolonged, bitter and politically controversial fight for the Trident deal, has taken over much of the refit work for the surface fleet.

DML said yesterday it had wrongly estimated the amount of submarine support work it would win, and acknowledged that it had lost out to its competitors for commercial and Ministry of Defence projects, leading to the job cuts. It denied that the cuts were a result of low bidding for the Trident work.

Accepting that there could be further job cuts to follow, Mike Leece, DML managing director, acknowledged the job cuts were a hard decision, but said: "It is very tight out there in the competitive arena both for commercial work and all the competitive unallocated MoD programme. We are living in a real world. If we don't secure business, we cannot sustain continuous employment."

Union leaders had been braced for job cuts but the scale was worse than they expected.

Bill Goffin, district secretary of the AEEU engineering union, said: "This is a betrayal for all of us who were working with them just a few months ago. When they wanted the work, they needed our help but no sooner have they got it than they have started to wield the axe again.

"We look as if we are heading towards a dispute situation," he added.

Tony Bell, of the IPMS specialists' union, said: "Winning the Trident contract was a two-edged sword." David Jamieson, Labour MP for Devonport, said the cuts were an "absolutely devastating blow" for the yard.

Eric Martlew, the Labour defence spokesman, condemned the job losses. "Once again, defence workers in Plymouth have been abandoned by the Government," he said.

GEC and Thorn to enter lottery stakes

BY MELVYN MARCKUS
CITY EDITOR

GEC, the cash-rich electronics combine led by Lord Weinstock, is poised to join a consortium that will bid to secure the franchise to operate Britain's £2-billion-plus National Lottery.

Enquiries by *The Times* reveal that Thorn EMI, led by Sir Colin Southgate, is also expected to join the consortium, the nucleus of which will be the Tote, the organisation that manages on-course pooled betting at race tracks. Another prospective member of the Tote consortium is reliably understood to be Autotote, the Canadian-based lottery specialist.

The Tote, chaired by Lord Wyatt, is a declared runner in the National Lottery stakes but there has been no indication, until now, of which other companies will make up the consortium.

A spokesman for the Tote said: "We do intend to submit a proposal in respect of the National Lottery but that is all I can say at this stage." Asked whether talks were taking place with GEC, Thorn EMI and Autotote, he replied: "No comment." GEC also declined to comment.

Indications that the Tote, which enjoyed a turnover of more than £225 million in 1992-3, is engaged in talks with the likes of GEC and Thorn EMI comes after a publicity fanfare greeted formation of the Camelot Group, which includes Cadbury Schweppes, Racal Electronics, De La Rue and GTECH, the US-based lottery corporation.

On the London stock market, Ladbroke's share price rose 2p to 178p on rumours that the company might shortly elaborate on its declared interest in the National Lottery. Speculation has it that Ladbroke has been holding talks with MAI, the information services enterprise. It is also believed to have held discussions with French lottery organisations.

Ladbroke refused to comment. An MAI spokesman said: "We can neither confirm nor deny such speculation." Ladbroke is expected to wait for further clarification of the government's proposals before revealing its hand.

British industry's eagerness to participate in the National Lottery has prompted allegations that the franchise will prove something akin to a licence to print money.

Peter Brooke, the national heritage secretary, recently appointed Peter Davis, deputy chairman of Abbey National, as regulatory adviser on the National Lottery. Royal assent to the National Lottery Bill is expected this autumn, after which Mr Davis, who will become director general of the National Lottery, will issue tenders via the Office of the National Lottery.

Rival consortiums will submit bids early next year and a licence to operate the lottery, on behalf of the government, is expected to be awarded in the spring, a year before the expected launch date.

Conservative estimates suggest potential sales of 40 million £1 tickets a week; an annual flutter by the British public of more than £2 billion.

Hoare Govett, the stockbroking firm, estimates that the profit to an operator in year five could be about £70 million. This assumes turnover of £3.5 billion, producing revenues to the Exchequer of £420 million. Beneficiaries such as the Arts, Sports, Charities, National Heritage and the Millennium Fund, would receive £1.8 billion.

partners in power

IN THE first of a series of Partners in Power on page 21, Sir David Alliance, chairman of Coats Viyella, explains his relationship with chief executive Neville Bain. Sir David gives his first impression of Mr Bain and each describes the other's strengths and weaknesses.

The series reflects the move in many boardrooms to split the roles of chairman and chief executive after the recommendations of the Cadbury Committee. This week Alan Sugar announced he was seeking a chief executive at Amstrad.

The differences between the two people is often quite marked. Old money may be joined by new knowledge. An abrasive no-nonsense chairman may enhance his company's image by recruiting a gentler soul. Creativity may be complemented by financial skills.

ASH burns City fingers

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

ASH, Automated Security (Holdings), caused a storm in the City yesterday by issuing a profit warning a day after institutions bid for almost 900,000 shares in a Barclays de Zoete Wedd auction.

The shares slumped 32½p to 99½p after the warning, leaving investors nursing hefty losses. BZW, the company's joint broker for ten years, summarily resigned when ASH refused to cancel a planned enhanced scrip dividend alternative in the wake of the shares slide.

BZW was clearly embarrassed by the timing of the profit warning. The reference price for the scrip dividend alternative was set on Tuesday at 142p, and the strike price was 136p. The enhanced shares are due to be listed next week. The institutional bidders are now waiting to see if the scrip alternative will in fact be pulled.

ASH said results next week for the nine months to end-September would show profits of about £9 million and would include £3 million of losses and reorganisation charges. Results for the year to end-December would be "significantly below market expectations".

ASH's woes were compounded by an error in the original trading announcement that said there would be a £32 million charge for losses on discontinued activities. This was later corrected to read "losses of £2 million".

In the 20 minute gap before the correction was issued about 250,000 shares were traded.

Tom Buffett, ASH's chairman, said the broker's resignation was "deeply disappointing". He did not believe ASH could offer shareholders a scrip one day and take it away the next.

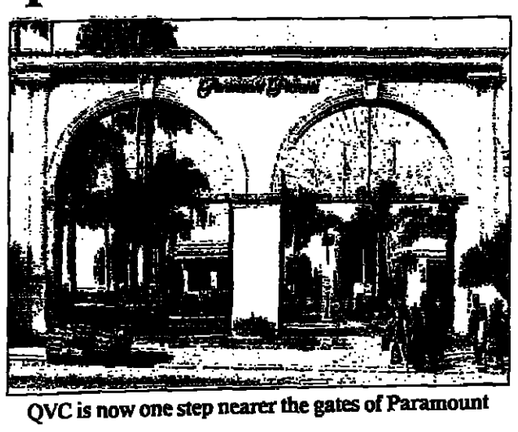
Americans own about 60 per cent of the group.

Share swap rewrites Paramount script

PLANS for a new force in US television were made last night combining the largest cable system operator with a programme producer in a deal valued at about $3.5 billion. It is likely to have strategic implications for the takeover fight for Paramount Communications, the film and television company.

Tele-Communications Inc, (TCI) which operates a cable system entering one in five of US homes with a television, says it has agreed a tax-free share swap merger with Liberty Media where it already owns 5 per cent and which has just paid $1 billion to air a series of Walt Disney films.

The knock-on effect is likely to strengthen the hand of QVC Network, Barry Diller's home shopping group, which is making a $9.5 billion bid for Paramount. Viacom, the television programme maker that owns MTV, and QVC's rival in the fight, last night dismissed the TCI-Liberty merger as an unlikely threat to its own agreed, but lower, Paramount offer worth $7.9 billion.



QVC is now one step nearer the gates of Paramount

But the Paramount board is due to meet on Monday to give its first consideration to the bid from QVC, which, with the help of Barclays Bank, proved this week it had the firepower to bid. The cable merger also launches John Malone, 52, into the heat of the takeover. The former Yale man has been leading TCI for 20 years. The TCI merger will value his shares at $700 million.

As a result of the deal, TCI will directly own about a fifth of QVC shares, absorbed from Liberty. Analysts say the combine will transform the front line for QVC's Paramount bid: Mr Diller as the visionary on how home shopping will work with Hollywood's big film, television, and publishing empire and Mr Malone with the money. TCI is expected to generated about $1.1 billion this year on $4 billion sales.

TCI spun off Liberty two and a half years ago to anticipate new regulations limiting concentration in cable television and programming. TCI says those rules are now out and would count TCI and Liberty as one for monitoring purposes. The TCI-Liberty deal puts the group on a equal footing with Viacom and Time Warner, the world's largest entertainment group. Under the merger, a new company, yet to be named, will issue new shares to TCI holders on a one for one basis and to Liberty shareholders at the rate of 0.975 new for each existing share. Liberty shares fell sharply yesterday. TCI rose.

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EC ministers shed narrow-band ERM hope



Clarke: weekend talks

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS

EC GOVERNMENTS have quietly abandoned hope of returning their currencies to the "narrow bands" of the European exchange-rate mechanism, which fell apart under political and market strains two months ago.

Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, and other EC finance ministers meet near Brussels today to debate the future of the ERM and monetary union, but it is already clear that hopes of an early return to tight 2.25 per cent fluctuation bands for the ERM's leading currencies have faded from the agenda.

In an interview with *Die Zeit* this week, Hans Tietmeyer, the new president of the Bundesbank, said that it was not clear when European economies would be ready to return to narrow bands. "In this context, the question arises of whether one has to go back to the old margin or whether it would be more sensible to have a somewhat wider one, either for all, or for certain groups," he said.

In stormy discussions on August 2, ministers widened fluctuation bands to 15 per cent, but there were immediate calls for a rapid return to smaller margins. However, no advocate of a stronger ERM has produced a design for a strengthened system able to resist testing of its strength by markets.

A suggestion by Jacques Delors, president of the European Commission, for tough capital controls has been greeted with derision across Europe. One diplomat this week said: "Until they can decide on something that is demonstrably better than the ERM as it was before August 2, my impression is that they will stick with what they have."

Ministers will concentrate this weekend on preparation for phase two of the monetary union timetable laid down in Maastricht. The treaty is likely to come into force on November 1, after next week's expected endorsement by Germany's constitutional court. Maastricht creates an embryonic central bank, a "European Monetary Institute", due to start work on January 1, which will find itself supervising economies whose convergence is far from Maastricht targets.

The narrow bands of the ERM are likely to be replaced by bilateral understandings for currencies to shadow the German mark. The Netherlands government already keeps the guilder within a "narrow band" of fluctuation against the mark. Luxembourg is keen to follow suit, even to the extent of dusting off plans to break its 70-year-old monetary union with Belgium. The Belgian franc is considered at risk because of the government's ballooning public deficit.

Battles are expected next week over proposed EC social legislation. EC employment ministers will, on Tuesday, discuss planned directives on compulsory pan-European works councils, young workers and "atypical work". Britain opposes all three measures and David Hunt, the employment secretary, has vowed to veto the works council directive. However, the Belgian EC presidency seems unwilling to press the issue on the day Germany may ratify Maastricht.

Greycoat's fate unclear as rescue is spurned

■ **Postel, the pension fund, has walked away from its rescue bid for Greycoat after rejection from preference shareholders, raising fears that receivers may go in**

BY CARL MORTISHED

THE future of Greycoat, the property company, was plunged into uncertainty when its preference shareholders voted down a rescue proposal from Postel, the giant pension fund.

Last night, Greycoat's directors were in discussions with their advisers, including N M Rothschild, the merchant bank, to find a way of saving the company. The directors had warned that failure to approve the rescue could lead to the appointment of receivers. Brokers predicted that Greycoat shares would plunge to 5p on Monday. The closing price yesterday, before the vote was announced, was 25p; the preference shares closed at 38p, 2p below Postel's offer.

Greycoat needed a three quarters majority from each class of share and bond to succeed but only 42.6 per cent of the preference shareholders voted for the Postel rescue. Ordinary shareholders approved it on a show of hands.

Alastair Ross Goobey, Postel's chief executive, said last night that there would be no new offer. "The shareholders have to make their own judgment and I have to accept their decision." He said any attempt by another party to rescue the company would have to made in "a matter of days, not weeks".

At a crowded London meeting, owners of Greycoat's 9½ per cent preference shares, who believe the Postel rescue undervalued their shares, fired questions at Geoffrey Wilson, Greycoat's chairman, on the valuation of the company's properties.

The company had been accused of undervaluing its assets and of failing to disclose to shareholders the value attributed to each property. Greycoat owns prestigious assets in central London, including Embankment Place, over Charing Cross station, Britannic House, in the City, and 123 Buckingham Palace Road. The company said this week that the value of its assets had not changed since a £367 million valuation in July.

At the meeting, Mr Wilson repeated his warning that voting down any of the resolutions relating to the Postel rescue could mean receivership. No other party had made an offer. "In simple terms, it is all or nothing. The choice is to approve the Postel proposals or face the consequences."

He said the company was unable to reveal the values placed on individual buildings because that would prejudice the outcome if Greycoat was later forced to sell. The recent improvement in the property market had been overstated. "Greycoat's properties would not to increase by 20 per cent to remove the breaches of covenant," he said.

A group of preference shareholders responded angrily to the refusal to provide information on values. One, Nicholas Berry, said it was extraordinary that preference shares should rank after ordinaries. "They should be called deference shares, not preference shares," he said. Another described Postel's proposals as "a rape".

The Postel reconstruction proposal offered the preference shareholders 40p for every £1 share and a cut in the coupon from 9.5 to 9 per cent.

Several investors at the meeting called for a rescue rights issue but a Rothschild spokesman said the company would need to raise £120 million and an underwriting of that size was not feasible. Mr Wilson said that the costs of the rescue had risen to £2.8 million, of which £1.3 million had been paid.

TONY WHITE



Frank van Wezel, (left) chairman of Hi-Tec, and Peter Butler, finance director, expect a return to profit in Europe

Graystone cash call to fund buy

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

GRAYSTONE, an electrical and mechanical engineering group, is making a £32.8 million recommended bid for British Syphon Industries. This will be partly funded by a rights issue pitched above Graystone's market price.

The terms are seven-for-four at 11p, when the share price stands at 10p. This is the group's second rights issue this year, and will raise an estimated £18 million net.

The offer for every 100 British Syphon shares is £76.30 cash, 34 new Graystone ordinary shares and 28 non-voting 19.2 per cent convertible preference shares. It has been irrevocably accepted by a subsidiary of Bankers Trust that owns 69.4 per cent of British Syphon and by other parties with 23 per cent.

Dick Richardson, Graystone's chairman, said British Syphon would bring with it a broad range of industrial products.

Graystone, which has not paid a dividend for years, indicates that there will be an interim and a final payout for the year to June 30.

BAe says Taiwan talks will go on

BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

BRITISH Aerospace said it expected to resume talks on its stalled joint venture with Taiwan Aerospace Corporation within a fortnight. It was responding to reports that the $775 million deal would never get off the ground.

BAe is talking to TAC, the potential purchaser of a half-share in Avro International, its regional jet business, and to the Taiwanese Ministry of Economic Affairs.

"We've an assurance from the ministry that it is committed to the deal," a BAe spokesman said. "We certainly are, the British government is and we expect to recommence talks in the next couple of weeks."

One of the hold-ups has been disruption in TAC's command structure, culminating in the resignation of Denny Ko, the company's president. "They have had a number of personnel changes and it will be necessary for those to shake down before TAC is in a position to restart talks."

TAC's acting president, Chu Sing, said this week that his company would decide at a board meeting on October 19 whether to cancel or go ahead with the joint venture.

BAe denies that any important outstanding issues are holding up the venture, hailed in January as the saviour of its regional jets business and of thousands of British jobs, including those of 3,000 of its own employees.

The company says it is not the Taiwanese government or TAC, but politicians in Taiwan's opposition Democratic Progressive Party who have tried to abort the venture.

BAe also denied suggestions that Taiwan's government was pulling out of direct involvement in talks aimed at concluding the deal.

US figures pull Hi-Tec out of red

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

HI-TEC, the designer and distributor of sports footwear, jogged back into the black at the interim stage lifted by a strong performance from its American operations and by cost-cutting in its British and European businesses.

A pre-tax loss of £2.8 million was transformed into a £776,000 profit for the six months to July 30 on sales 29 per cent higher at £59.4 million (£45.9 million). The interim dividend is raised from 1p to 1.25p per share.

North American operating profits were up from £636,000 to £2.1 million. Peter Butler, Hi-Tec's finance director, said the group had benefited from the demise of the sneaker boom and the growing trend towards rugged outdoor shoes and boots, a sector in which it was the market leader.

The British operations turned a loss of £861,000 into a £793,000 profit on flat sales mainly through reducing costs. The dumping of stock and heavy discounting by major manufacturers such as Reebok and Nike, which has characterised the market in recent years, has finally eased giving a much-needed fillip to margins.

Europe continues to be the group's Achilles heel. Losses deepened from £1.4 million to £1.6 million. Reorganising the business incurred £300,000 of restructuring costs in the first half, with Mr Butler warning of more to come. The decision to close its own European network and appoint distributors has helped cut £3 million of fixed costs out of the business. Mr Butler believes the European operations should return to the black in the second half.

Goldman denies bias

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

A RARE glimpse of the competitive world of the high flyers of Wall Street is being displayed in the Manhattan Federal Court, where a former Goldman Sachs executive is suing the company for sex discrimination and claiming more than $2 million in damages and costs.

Lawyers for Joanne Flynn claim Goldman dismissed her in 1989 because she was a woman and because she had fired a man.

Goldman says the accusation is baseless and that Ms Flynn was fired because she refused to co-operate with the woman appointed as her boss.

Ms Flynn filed the suit in January 1991, two years after she lost her $180,000 a year job in Goldman's management and training department.

In autumn 1988, Goldman hired Doris Smith from First Boston to manage the department. Trouble is alleged to have begun when Ms Flynn was acting manager of sales training. A man she fired complained to senior officials. She claimed that officials who had promised her a promotion then began looking at other people to fill the job. In March 1989, she was told to leave.

Tiphook shares fall further

BY OUR DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

SHARES in Tiphook, the debt-plagued container leasing business, plunged for the second day in a row, putting further pressure on its beleaguered chairman, Robert Montague.

With a hefty 5.4 million shares traded, the price fell 46p to 123p. Further buyers emerged but a slight rally late Thursday afternoon could not be sustained. That day Tiphook, which has debts of £1 billion, issued its third profits warning this year.

The company is 50 per cent owned by American investors who have bought this year as City institutions have shunned the stock. Most of the sellers, therefore, are thought to be Americans, originally attracted to Tiphook by the high yield on offer. But Thursday's statement, which warned shareholders of a loss in the current half-year and suggested market profit forecasts for the year as a whole would not be met, was widely taken to mean that future dividends were in jeopardy.



Montague: more pressure

Tiphook is in talks with its bankers because of the threat that covenents may be breached. The banks are unlikely to be keen on seeing uncovered dividend payments send those debts higher.

The banks also hold the key to Mr Montague's future. Although Tiphook has brought in a non-executive deputy chairman, Rupert Hambro, this year, Mr Montague has been under pressure to appoint a strong chief executive, and further board changes now seem inevitable.

Mr Montague and his fellow directors were unavailable for comment last night. The company is due to publish monthly utilisation statistics on Monday, and the market is further braced for bad news.

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Income	6.80	5.10
£25,000 – £49,999	7.50	5.63
Income	7.25	5.44
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Income	7.60	5.70

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Canterbury Life told to pay £100,000 by Lautro

CANTERBURY Life, part of the Refuge Group, has been fined £80,000 with £20,000 costs by the Life Assurance and Unit Trust Regulatory Organisation (Lautro) for failing to control its staff and procedures and selling customers unsuitable polices. After finding problems in 1991, Lautro inspectors discovered a year later that procedures for taking on salesmen were still inadequate. Salesmen had also failed to demonstrate that they had given people the right advice.

Terry Black, Refuge Assurance's marketing director, said Canterbury Life had been told to review 1,012 cases in January this year. Four policyholders were refunded a total of £650 in premiums and interest when it emerged that they did not understand what they had bought.

Celltech plans flotation

CELLTECH, the British biotechnology group, plans a stock market flotation this year to raise more than £30 million. Celltech's stock market debut will value it at more than £190 million and establish it as Europe's biggest biotechnology group. The company expects to finance existing and future development programmes as well as new research projects through the placing. British & Commonwealth administrators have indicated their intention to sell part of their holding.

MTM negotiations end

MTM, the former speciality chemicals group that sold the bulk of its assets to rival BTP, is no longer trying to sell its core agrochemicals business — the last remaining activity within the restructured group. MTM said talks with potential purchasers have expired without conclusion, and the board will not pursue discussions regarding divestment. A sale of the agrochemicals operation would have effectively left MTM as a cash shell. MTM shares were unchanged at 57p.

Bennett agrees to offer

BENNETT & Fountain Group, the troubled electrical wholesaler and retailer, has agreed to a £2.1 million rescue bid by Marlowe, a UK competitor, which is an offshoot of RCK Inc, of the United States. Marlowe's cash offer, made by Charterhouse Bank, is worth 2p a share, substantially below the recent market price of Bennett shares, which fell 1½p to 2½p. Voltex Holdings, the South African group owning 60 per cent of Bennett, has undertaken to accept Marlowe's bid.

Welsh Water deal off

WELSH Water is pulling out of an agreement with Resort Hotels because it is not satisfied with the financial condition of the hotel operator. Share dealings in Resort Hotels were suspended a day after the water company announced in July that it was disposing of its hotel business to Resort. Robert Feld, Resort's chief executive, resigned and the board announced an investigation into a number of accounting issues. Welsh Water is looking for a new buyer.

Quadramatic buy

QUADRAMATIC, a specialist engineering company that floated on the stock market in July, is acquiring Quota Group, which produces industrial temperature monitoring systems, for £11.25 million. It will fund the deal through a placing and open offer of 7.07 million new ordinary shares at 145p each, raising £10.25 million, and the balance through the issue of 689,800 new shares to the seller. In the year to June 30, Quota made an operating profit of £1.56 million.

More jobs in America

THE US unemployment rate was unchanged at 6.7 per cent in September, but 156,000 new jobs were added to a steadily improving economy, the Labor Department said. The labour market strengthened after August's 41,000 decline in the number of new jobs outside farming. Since February 1992, when layoffs were at their peak, 2.4 million jobs have been created, an average of 125,000 a month, and the jobless rate has dropped by a percentage point since summer last year.

Radamec optimistic

RADAMEC Group, involved in electronics and mechanical engineering, is cautiously optimistic on prospects in spite of first-half pre-tax profit dipping to £335,000, from £365,000, in tough trading conditions. Turnover rose to £6 million (£5.8 million) in the half year to end-June, but return on sales was diluted by a big contract with many purchased components at low margins. Gearing was 14.6 per cent (45.7 per cent). The interim dividend is 0.5p (same) after earnings of 1.8p (2p).

Dunkeld offshoots sold

DUNKELD Group's shirts and swimwear divisions have been sold to a management team for £8 million, with backing from 3I. Dunkeld, a listed textiles company that grew rapidly in the 1980s, was placed in receivership in August after it became unable to support its debt. The new group will trade as Sherman Cooper. Customers for the shirt division include Debenhams, House of Fraser and Moss Bros. Swimwear customers include Harrods, House of Fraser and Selfridges.

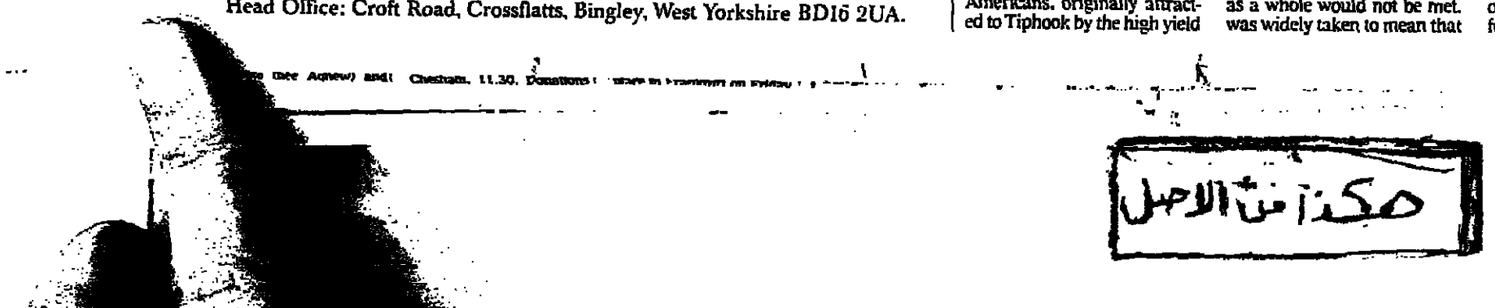
Rolls-Royce boosts sales

SALES of Rolls-Royce cars have risen to 1,033 in the first nine months of the year from 1,019 in the same period a year ago. The company, a subsidiary of Vickers, the engineering group, has sharply increased sales in the Pacific Rim, where they leapt to 160 from 96. Sales in the US and Canada fell to 241 from 281. In Japan, they rose to 76 from 69. Sales in continental Europe fell to 193 from 226 while the Middle East advanced to 53 from 45 and Britain to 310 from 302.

Harrington raises £1m

HARRINGTON Kilbride, the magazine publisher, has issued 475,000 new shares, at 219p each, to institutional investors to raise £1.03 million. The shares were placed by Panmure Gordon, the group's broker. Harrington has expanded rapidly since its flotation in December 1991. The company said the new money will reduce debt and the increased capital base will allow continued investment in its own titles and its contract publishing division.





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COATS VIYELLA: **Sir David Alliance and Neville Bain**

Self-made pair weave a new company culture

partners in power

The men at the top of Britain's biggest textile company are a case of opposite poles attracting, says Susan Gilchrist



ADRIAN BROOKS

Sir David Alliance, left, is an entrepreneur. Neville Bain a manager and strategist. They rapidly developed a rapport, and its results have delighted the City

It is one of the most unlikely double acts ever seen in a British boardroom. The combination of a once penniless Iranian emigré and the son of a New Zealand railway worker at the head of one of the world's largest textile groups sounds closer to fantasy than fact. But Sir David Alliance and Neville Bain, who guide the fortunes of Coats Viyella, are precisely such a team.

Coats is essentially Sir David's creation. Since he arrived in Britain in the 1950s — with no money and no English — he has built up the company through a series of audacious deals into a worldwide group, spanning 60 countries, with sales of more than £2 billion. The man who started out buying up seconds from factories, has drawn some of the most famous names in the British textile industry, one by one, into his empire. To Sir David, 61, Coats is not simply a company, it is one of the driving forces in his life. It is therefore unsurprising that it took him years to find someone he felt was a worthy successor when he decided to split the roles of chairman and chief executive in the late 1980s.

Sir David is shy to the point of *impenetrability*. Bain is open to the point of indiscretion

"I looked for someone for three years," he says with a smile. "You see, it couldn't just be anyone, someone run of the mill. This business has been my life. I had to find someone I really trusted."

Following a headhunter's recommendation, he met Neville Bain, 53, then deputy chief executive of Cadbury Schweppes, in April 1990. But it took several more meetings before he formally offered him the job, three months later.

Sir David says he was immediately struck by how well prepared his potential chief executive was in those initial meetings. "I couldn't believe how much he knew about the business. I thought to myself, 'Here is somebody who really wants to contribute'." Bain's lack of experience in the textile industry was never an issue. "I wanted someone with an open mind, who could bring something new to the party. And Neville did just that."

Despite his long involvement with the company, Sir David insists he had no problems relinquishing the chief executive's role. "It was not hard because I was happy that the man who was taking it on could, in many ways, do the job better than me."

To an outsider, it is astonishing that the two men clicked as they did. They are different in almost every way. Sir David, an intensely shy man, is private to the point of impenetrability, whereas Bain is open to the point of indiscretion. Even in casual conversation, Sir David is a slow, deliberate speaker, careful never to say more than he has to. "Neville is much more open than I am," he admits. "He brings people into discussions far more than I do." However, he believes some of this spirit of openness has rubbed off on him. "I have learned from Neville and I am more open myself now."

Although Sir David detests the "dealmaker" label that has been attached to him over the years, he believes his chief executive has brought a more strategic approach to the business: "I do things by instinct, by feel. Neville does a lot more research."

This became rapidly apparent during the second, and this time successful, bid for Tootal in the spring of 1991. "Neville did a lot of preparation and it paid off," he says. The Tootal acquisition proved crucial for Coats, putting profits firmly back on an upward path. It was also a turning-point in the relationship between the chairman and the chief executive, ushering in a new era of greater trust. Although it has taken time for the two men to get used to each other, they are clearly relaxed together now.

In addition to their weekly meetings, the pair constantly pop across the hall into each other's offices at the Coats headquarters in London's Savile Row. Sir David says he enjoys his job more than ever before. "Before, I had to decide things on my own. Now, I can share decisions and I have got somebody to talk to."

As one analyst said: "Appointing Neville Bain may turn out to be one of Sir David's better deals."

When Neville Bain got a call from a headhunter suggesting that he should meet Sir David Alliance, of Coats Viyella, he was not even looking for a new job. He says he was was perfectly happy at Cadbury Schweppes, where he had spent the past 27 years.

But something about Coats attracted his interest. "It seemed to me there were a lot of unresolved issues within the group," he says. Coats was going through a difficult time. Along with all the big textile groups, it had seen profits plunge and had lost favour in the City. Just when analysts wanted to see Coats battening down the hatches and reorganising, Sir David launched a daring, but initially unsuccessful, bid for Tootal, a major competitor. "It looked like an interesting challenge," Mr Bain says.

He was well aware of Sir David's reputation as a forceful entrepreneur, but says he was undeterred by it: "What you have to do in a case like that is to sit down and talk about the business and see if there is personal rapport." He says it quickly became apparent that there was. "We liked each other, despite the fact that we are obviously very different."

The relationship had its teething problems. For a while, Mr Bain says, he did not always understand Sir David, who still speaks English with a strong accent. He also jokes that he found it hard to get to grips with some of the chairman's more unusual expressions, such as, "You don't steal a chimney if you don't know where to put the fireplace." (This, roughly translated, means you need to know where you are going before you do something).

But now that a tacit understanding and trust has developed, they are sufficiently relaxed to mock, gently, each other's idiosyncrasies. "David jokes about the way I love to jump up and make speeches. And I tease him about being secretive," Bain says.

He admits it has been difficult getting Sir David to open up. When he first drew up what he describes as a "statement of values" for Coats, he had a hard job persuading his chairman that "openness" should be one of the eight core values of the company.

"We had a long discussion about it. He said to me, 'I have been secretive in business all my life and it has worked very well'. And I simply said, there is no other way to run a group as diverse as this." Coats's management has since been decentralised and far more financial information is now released about each of the group's divisions.

This open-door policy has transformed Coats's reputation in the City, to the delight of both men. Analysts also welcome the greater strategic rigour they believe Mr Bain has brought to the group. He agrees that his approach has marked a departure from Coats's more ad-hoc acquisitive days in the 1980s, but he is quick to praise Sir David's entrepreneurialism. "He is quicker than me to see unique opportunities. I may avoid some deals because I want to keep close to the strategy. That is not to say there was no strategy before I arrived, it's just that it was all in David's head, and we needed to share it with everybody else."

He claims his analytical approach stems from his academic training. Although he left school at 16, he has picked up a host of degrees and qualifications since. In contrast, Sir David had little formal education and claims he has learned everything he knows from the "bazaar".

But their differences work in Coats's favour. One textiles analyst says: "They are a good combination. David has years of experience in the industry and is very entrepreneurial. Neville is more of a professional manager and a strategic thinker. Although they have different approaches, at the end of the day they would probably come out with the same action."

In fact, Bain accepts that there are strong similarities between Sir David and himself. Both are self-made men, who have worked their way up the corporate ladder on their own merits, without the benefits of belonging to the British old boy network. Both are extremely tough operators, who would never shirk from a difficult decision.

Tough though he may be, Bain likes to describe himself as Coats's "team coach". When asked how he would categorise Sir David, he smiles indulgently and says: "The chimney sweep, perhaps."

How famous brands fuel fortune of America's King of the Rich

Drink, shave or fly and it may aid Warren Buffett, worth $8 billion and rising, writes Philip Robinson



Coca-Cola, one of the household names invested in by the billionaire Warren Buffett

America's richest man can still get it badly wrong. He has taken his biggest loss on the US airline in which British Airways has invested almost $400 million, with its sights trained on the remainder.

While British Airways' paper loss on USAir approaches 40 per cent, Warren Buffett — named this week as the richest American — is down 80 per cent on a $358 million investment made four years ago.

Guinness, the drinks group in which he bought 31.2 million shares in March and which is Mr Buffett's only non-US investment, is also looking flat. Mr Buffett paid the equivalent of $265 million and is down about 25 per cent.

The holdings are part of 14 major investments that Mr Buffett, 63, has made in the past 25 years since dissolving a successful partnership in 1969 and virtually starting again in the slumping stock markets of the mid-seventies.

His biggest killing in the least time has been Coca-Cola. Bought in 1988 at a price, adjusted for a share split, of $14.60, the shares are now $41. His 7 per cent stake has more than tripled to $3 billion.

It is the kind of deal that has made Berkshire Hathaway, his investment vehicle, Wall Street's most expensive share. Ten years ago, the shares were $1,310; this week, they traded at $16,570 — $1,230 off their peak for the year. Mr Buffett does not believe in share splits.

It is Mr Buffett's 42 per cent stake in his company, and a surging stock market, that earned him the King of the Rich title from *Forbes* magazine this week. His $8.3 billion makes him among the world's billion more than the last estimate of the Queen's fortune.

Mr Buffett's investment strategy has fallen into three phases. First, in the mid to late Seventies, he picked up 11 per cent of Capital Cities/ABC, the American television network, 48 per cent of Geico Group, the insurance combine, and 15 per cent of *The Washington Post* and the whole of the *Buffalo News*. He has kept them all and they have made him a fortune. Second, in the Eighties, he entered the white knight game, trying to save companies threatened by hostile takeovers.

'He doesn't have to work with people he doesn't like'

Success was patchy. He saved Champion International, the paper group, on which he is down 20 per cent from his initial investment, and Gillette, on which he is currently showing a paper profit of 17 per cent.

Both investments were made through preferred shares, so Mr Buffett has been help to offset the ups and downs of the share price.

He twice saved Salomon Brothers, the Wall Street investment bank — once from a takeover attempt by Ronald Perelman's cosmetics giant, Revlon, and once from itself. He took charge just under two years ago to use his influence in New York and Washington to guide the bank through the Treasury Bond scandal. He has just sought to lift his stake from 14 to 25 per cent and is about 30 per cent up his 1987 investment. Third, in the late Eighties, he moved on to corporations that faced no crisis and which he considered knew their industries and were managed soundly and probably unvalued. Coke — he likes the cherry variety — has been his greatest success. However, he is ahead on a 9.7 per cent stake in the Wells Fargo bank, which he wants to take to 22 per cent, and 24 per cent up on General Dynamics, the US defence group. His $300 million press is looking a little green, down 5 per cent.

Mr Buffett says of his Gillette stake: "It's pleasant to go to bed every night knowing there are 2.5 billion males in the world who have to shave the following morning."

An unassuming man, a stockbroker's son who began investing with $10,000, he has only one corporate jet, hates board meetings and is an admirer of John Maynard Keynes, the British economist.

Mr Buffett doubts, though, that there is any natural cleansing process in boardrooms, and that the system might be more efficient if it were closer to American sport, where underperforming players can expect the sack.

If Mr Buffett's fortune keeps growing as at present, he will, it is estimated, have his charitable Buffett Foundation worth $100 billion in 20 years' time, a fortune to dwarf the Rockefellers, Fords, or Carnegies.

Warren Buffett has told his three children they will be comfortable but not live in super-rich style. He says the best part of having $8 billion is that he doesn't have to work

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WORLD MARKETS

Early advance for Dow

New York — Blue chips moved higher in early trade, drawing strength from a rally in US Treasuries on good US unemployment data for September. Analysts said a jobless rate unchanged at 6.7 per cent and non-farm payrolls rising 156,000 against a revised 41,000 drop the previous month indicated that the economy was undergoing a mild recovery. The Dow Jones industrial average was up 6 points at 3,590 while advances led declines by more than nine to five.

☐ **Tokyo** — The market ended higher on buying of large-capital shares, on expectations that the Osaka Securities Exchange will release a new stock futures index, brokers said. The Nikkei average was up 113.01 points to 20,378.64.

☐ **Sydney** — Lethargic end-of-week trade was lifted by metal stocks and a stronger futures market. The all-ordinaries index rose 3.7 points to end at its high for the day of 2,026.2.

☐ **Hong Kong** — Shares were lower shortly before the close, but off the day's low, with local and Chinese investors taking profits before the weekend. The Hang Seng index was down 64.24 points at 8,002.55.

☐ **Singapore** — The market drifted easier at the close with Malaysian over the counter shares powering volume. Brokers said the market's undertone will be firm before the imminent flotation of Singapore Telecom. The 30-share Straits Times industrial index eased 5.96 points to 2,031.45.

☐ **Frankfurt** — Shares leapt in post-bourse trading, extending a surprise rally which started in late official trading. Dealers said from technical point of view the market was extremely bullish, knowing no real resistance levels now it was clear of the 2,000 level. The DAX index reached 2,014 based on IBIS prices, compared with the all-time high recorded at the end of floor trade of 2,005.01.

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STOCK MARKET

Late run gives shares a new closing high

SHARE prices were squeezed to another all-time closing high during an uninspired performance more notable for the seam of ill-feeling running throughout the session.

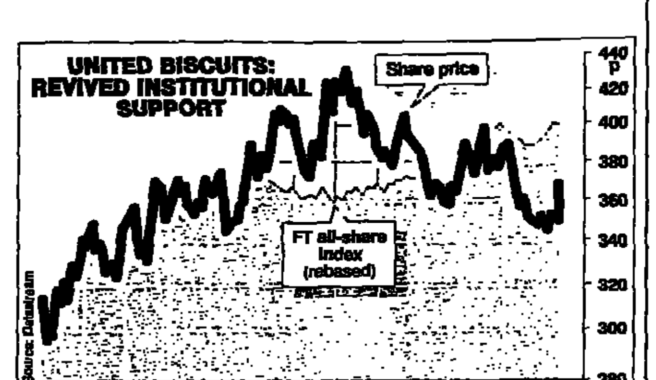
The FT-SE 100 index put in a late rise to close at its best of the day, 16.2 up at a best-ever 3,108.6. Turnover was low at just 477 million shares traded.

Profit warnings have been a big feature of the week and the reverberations continued to be felt yesterday despite the market's strength. **Tiphook**, the trailer and container rental group, again reeled from this week's warning and its third, so far, this year, losing a further 46p to 123p as 5.4 million shares changed hands. The price has fallen 113p in the past two days.

Automated Security Holdings also plunged, by 36p to 96p, after issuing a warning. An initial statement from the Stock Exchange said third-quarter figures next week would contain an exceptional charge of £32 million. The figure should have read £2 million. Profits for the full year will be well below expectations. BZW has resigned as ASH's joint broker after auctioning 892,000 shares at 136p on Thursday as part of the enhanced scrip dividend.

Rank Organisation showed signs of running out of steam with the price losing 10p to 813p as the shares were relocated in the index from leisure to office equipment.

Forte slipped 5p to 225p with Kleinwort Benson, the securities house, remaining lukewarm about prospects for the hotel sector. Rival Warburg Securities is urging clients to switch from Forte into **Ladbroke**, 2p firmer at 178p.



United Biscuits was a firm market climbing 16p to 368p amid signs of revived institutional support. Cazenove and Warburg, the broking firms, are believed to have completed a split buying order amounting to 1 million shares on behalf of one fund manager.

The property sector attracted support helped by a recommendation from James Capel, the broker. There were gains for **British Land**, 15p to 413p, **Brixton Estates**, 7p to 232p, **Great Portland Estates**, 6p to 228p, **MEPC**, 5p to 510p, and **Land Securities**, 9p to 703p.

British Aerospace improved 11p to 404p after insisting the vital Taiwanese joint venture was still on track, with talks resuming in a couple of weeks. **British Syphon** slipped 8p to 88p after the agreed £32.8 million bid from **Graystone**, ½p lighter at 10p. **Proteus**, the USM bio-technology company, jumped 30p to 479p in a 1,000-share market. UBS has been appointed broker and financial adviser.

☐ **Gilt-edged** — The strength of the market allowed the Bank of England to issue £950 million of tap stock including £350 million of Treasury 7 per cent 2001, £350 million of Treasury 8¾ per cent 2017 and £250 million of Treasury Index-Linked 2½ per cent 2011. The December series of the Long Gilt jumped £⅝ to £114 7/16 as 49,000 contracts were completed. In the cash market Treasury 9 per cent 2012 rose £⅝ to £118 21/32 and Treasury 9½ per cent 1999 7/32 up at £113 5/32.

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RECENT ISSUES

Anglian Water Wrts	106	-1
Beta Viet Nam Units	£41¼	...
Crockfords (90)	95	-1
For & Col Special Inc	70	...
For & Col Spl Capital	42	...
For & Col Spl Units	112	...
Ivory & Sime Ent Cap	78	...
Ivory & Sime Ent Cap Wts	14	...
Regent A	5	...
Select Industries	10½	...
Shield Diag (112)	110	...
VHE Holdings (115)	115	-2
Wiggins Group	3¼	...

RIGHTS ISSUES

Adwest n/p (140)	32	...
Appleyard n/p (120)	10	...
Britannia n/p (35)	¼	...
Friendly Htls n/p (150)	9	...
JIB Group n/p (150)	23	...
MB-Caradon n/p (260)	77	+3
Perry Group n/p (160)	13	...
Phoenix Timber n/p (8)	3	-½
Tarmac n/p (120)	23	+4½
Wates City of Lon n/p (72)	7	+1
Wiggins Group n/p (2½)	¼	...

WALL STREET

	Oct 8 midday	Oct 7 close
AMP Inc	64¼	64¾
AMR Corp	63¾	64⅛
Abbott Labs	26	26½
Aetna Life	62¾	61¼
Ahmanson (HF)	19¾	19¾
Air Prod & Chem	38½	38¾
Albertson's	25¾	25¾
Alcan Aluminl	19⅝	19⅛
Alco Standard	45	44½
Allied Signal	72⅛	73
Alum Co of Am	68¾	68½
Amax	23¾	23⅛
Amerada Hess	53⅝	53⅞
Amer Brands	32½	32⅝
Amer Cyanamid	55⅛	55½
Amer El Power	37⅝	37⅛
Amer Express	35	35⅞
Amer Genl Corp	33⅛	33⅝
Amer Home Pr	59⅝	59⅞
Amer Intl	95	95⅜
Amer Stores	42¼	41½
Amer T & T	57⅝	57⅛
Ameritech	85	84⅝
Amoco	56¼	56⅛
Anheuser-Busch	46⅝	46½
Apple Computer	22¾	23
Archer Daniels	22⅝	22
Arkla	8⅝	8⅝
Armco	5⅝	5⅝
Armstrng Wrld	41⅛	41½
Asarco	17⅛	17¾
Ashland Oil	34½	34⅛
Atl Richfield	113	114¼
Auto Data Pro	51	50¾
Avery Dennison	27¾	27¾
Avon Products	50¾	50⅛
Baker Hughes	22⅛	22⅞
Baltim Gas & El	26⅛	26
Banc One	43	42¾
BankAmerica	44⅝	44½
Bank of NY	55⅝	55⅛
Bankers Tr NY	80	80⅜
Barnett Banks	44½	43⅞
Bausch & Lomb	46⅜	46⅝
Baxter Intl	22	22
Becton Dicknsn	36⅜	36¼
Bell Atlantic	60⅝	60⅝
BellSouth	60	59⅝
Black & Decker	20⅝	20⅜
Block (H&R)	38⅜	37⅛
Boeing	37⅛	37⅝
Boise Cascade	20⅞	21
Borden Inc	17¼	17¼
Bristol Myrs Sq	56	55⅞
Browning Ferris	24¼	23⅞
Burlington Nthn	52¾	53
CBS	272½	270⅜
CNA Financial	84⅛	85⅛
CPC Intl	45¼	45
CSX	76¼	76⅜
Campbell Soup	37⅝	37⅝
Can Pacific	15⅜	15⅝
Cptl Cities ABC	573⅞	569⅞
Cptl Holdings	44⅝	44⅝
Carolina Pwr	32¼	31¼
Caterpillar	81⅛	81
Central & SW	32¼	32⅛
Champion Intl	30⅞	30⅞
Chase Manhat	37⅛	37
Chemical Bk	45⅛	45⅛
Chevron Corp	95⅝	95¼
Chrysler	48⅛	49⅛
Chubb Corp	81½	80⅞
Cigna Corp	65¾	65⅝
Citicorp	38⅞	38⅞
Clorox	52⅞	51¼
Coastal Corp	26¼	26⅜
Coca Cola	41½	41⅛
Colgate-Palmolive	55	54½
Columbia Gas	26⅜	26⅜
Commonw Ed	29⅛	30¼
Compaq Comp	58⅝	57⅛
Comp Ass Intl	34½	34
Conagra	26⅞	26¼
Cons Edison	35⅝	35⅝
Cons Nat Gas	51½	52⅝
Cons Rail	58⅛	58⅝
Cooper Inds	47⅝	47⅝
Corning Inc	27⅛	27¼
Crown Cork	36⅜	36⅜
Dana Corp	58¾	58⅛
Dayton Hudson	67⅛	67⅛
Deere	73¼	73⅝
Delta Air Lines	52⅛	52⅝
Deluxe Corp	33	31½
Detroit Edison	33¼	33⅝
Digital Equip	39	38
Dillard Dept St	36	35⅝
Disney (Walt)	39⅝	39⅝
Dominion Res	48	47⅝
Donelley (RR)	28⅜	28⅜
Dover Corp	55	54⅛
Dow Chemicals	60⅛	59⅝
Dow Jones	36⅛	35⅝
Dresser	21½	21½
Duke Power	42⅛	42⅛
Dun & Brdstreet	61⅛	61⅛
Du Pont	46	45⅞
Eastman Kodak	57⅝	57⅝
Eaton Corp	51½	50¼

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Emerson Elec	57	57
Engelhard Corp	27¼	27⅝
Enron Corp	36	35¼
Entergy Corp	38½	38⅝
Ethyl Corp	18	17¼
Exxon	65⅝	65⅞
FMC Corp	49⅝	49⅝
FPL Group	39¼	39⅝
Federal Express	63⅝	62⅝
Fed Nat Mtge	78⅝	78¼
First Chicago	49	48¼
First Interstate	65¼	66¼
First Union Rlty	11¼	11¼
Fleet Finl Grp	34¼	34¼
Fluor Corp	40⅞	40⅝
Ford Motor	55⅝	55⅞
GTE Corp	38¼	38¼
Gannett	48¼	48¼
Gap Inc Del	32¾	32
Gen Dynamics	98½	96⅝
Gen Electric	95⅝	95⅜
Gen Mills	60¼	60¼
Gen Motors	43¼	43¼
Gen Reinsurance	122¼	122
Gen Signal	33	32¼
Genuine Parts	36¼	36¼
Georgia Pac	61¼	61¼
Gillette	58⅝	58¼
Glaxo ADR	20¼	20
Goodrich (BF)	44	44
Goodyear Tire	46¼	46¼
Grace (W&R)	35¼	34⅝
Grt Atl Pac Tea	25¼	25⅝
Great Wstn Fin	19¼	19
Halliburton	37¼	37¼
Harcourt General	44¼	44⅝
Heinz (HJ)	36¼	35¼
Hercules	90	89¼
Hershey Foods	50⅝	50⅝
Hewlett Packard	68⅝	67⅝
Hilton Hotels	49¼	49¼
Home Depot	38¼	39
Homestake Mng	18¼	18
Honeywell	36¼	36¼
Household Intl	80	80¼
Houston Inds	46¼	46
Humana	14¼	14
ITT Corp	92¼	92¼
Illinois Tool	38¼	38¼
INCO	19¼	19⅝
Ingersoll Rand	36¼	36¼
Inland Steel	30	29⅝
Intel Corp	68¼	68¼
IBM	43¼	44¼
Intl Flav & Fr	103¼	102¼
Intl Paper	59	59¼
James River Va	20⅜	20⅝
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	39¼	39¼
K Mart	24¼	24¼
Kellogg	50¼	50¼
Kerr-McGee	51¼	50¼
Kimberly-Clark	49¼	49¼
Knight-Ridder	52¼	52¼
Lilly (Eli)	50¼	50¼
Limited Inc	23¼	23¼
LIN Brdcstng	113¼	113¼
Lincoln Nat	46¼	46¼
Litton	65¼	65¼
Liz Claiborne	19¼	20
Lockheed Corp	64¼	64
Louisiana Pac	32¼	33¼
MCI Commum	27¼	27¼
Marriott	33¼	33¼
Marsh & McLan	84¼	84¼
Masco Corp	32¼	32¼
May Dept St	43¼	43¼
Maytag Corp	16¼	16¼
McCaw Cellular	52¼	52¼
McDonalds	52¼	51¼
McDonnell D	91¼	90¼
McGraw Hill	67¼	68
Mead Corp	41¼	41¼
Medtronic	70	68¼
Mellon Bk	54¼	54
Melville Corp	44¼	44¼
Merck Inc	30¼	30¼
Merrill Lynch	96¼	97¼
Minnesota Mine	104	103¼
Mobil Corp	82	82
Monsanto	67¼	67¼
Morgan (JP)	77¼	77
Motorola Inc	97¼	96¼
Natl Medical	11¼	11¼
Natl Semi	18¼	18¼
Natl Service Ind	25	25
Navistar Int	22¼	22¼
NBD Bancorp	33¼	33¼
NY Times A	25¼	25¼
Newmont Mng	49¼	49¼
Niag Mohawk	23¼	23¼
Nike B	45¼	45
NL Industries	5¼	5¼
Nordstrom	31¼	31
Norfolk Sthrn	66	66¼
Nthn State Pwr	45¼	45¼
Norwest Corp	28¼	28
Nynex Corp	44¼	44¼
Occidental Pet	20¼	20¼
Ohio Edison	24¼	24¼
Oracle Systems	57¼	58¼

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Oryx Energy Co	25¼	25¼
Owens Corning	45	44⅝
PNC Financial	30¼	30¼
PPG Industries	65¼	65¼
Paccar Inc	62	62¼
Pacificorp	19¼	19¼
Pac Enterprises	25¼	25¼
Pac Gas & Elect	35¼	35¼
Pac Telesis	53¼	53¼
Pall Corp	19¼	20¼
Panhandle East	24¼	25¼
Paramnt Comm	76¼	77¼
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Polaroid	32¼	32
Price Co	39	38¼
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Pub Serv E & G	34	33¼
Quaker Oats	67	67
Ralston Purina	37¼	37¼
Raychem Corp	42¼	42¼
Raytheon	63¼	63¼
Reebok Intl	24¼	24¼
Reynolds Metals	44¼	43¼
Roadway Srvs	58¼	58¼
Rockwell Intl	35¼	35¼
Rohm & Haas	51¼	51¼
Royal Dutch	105	103¼
Rubbermaid	34¼	34¼
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St Paul's Cos	90¼	90¼
Salomon Inc	48¼	47¼
Santa Fe Pac	18¼	18¼
Sara Lee Corp	24¼	24¼
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Skyline Corp	17¼	17
Snap-On-Tools	38¼	38¼
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Sthwestern Bell	41¼	41¼
Sprint Corp	36¼	37
Stanley Works	42	41¼
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Suntrust	43¼	44
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Syntex Corp	17¼	17¼
Sysco Corp	29	29¼
TRW Inc	65¼	65¼
Tandem Comp	12¼	12¼
Tandy Corp	39¼	38¼
Telecom Corp	2¼	2¼
Teledyne	25¼	26
Temple Inland	39¼	39¼
Tenneco	52¼	52¼
Texaco	68¼	68¼
Texas Inst	67¼	68¼
Texas Utilities	46¼	46¼
Textron	56¼	57
Time Warner	42¼	41¼
Times-Mirror	29¼	28¼
Timken	30¼	30¼
Torchmark	53¼	53¼
Toys R Us	37¼	37
Transamerica	61¼	61¼
Travelers Corp	37	37¼
Tribune	52¼	52
Tyco Labs	42¼	42¼
UAL Corp	143¼	142¼
UST Inc	27¼	27¼
USX Marathon	19¼	19¼
Unilever NV	110	109¼
Union Camp	41¼	41¼
Union Carbide	19¼	19¼
Union Pacific	61¼	61¼
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Upjohn	29¼	29¼
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WMX Tech	30	30
Wal-Mart Stores	26¼	26¼
Warner-Lambert	65¼	65¼
Wells Fargo	128	127¼
Westinghouse El	13¼	13¼
Weyerhaeuser	40¼	40¼
Whirlpool	58¼	59¼
Whitman	15	15
Winn Dixie	58¼	58¼
Woolworth	25¼	25¼
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	45¼	46
Xerox	72¼	72¼

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RISES:
Nat West .... 541p (+16p)
Matthew Clark .... 523p (+25p)
Heywood Williams .. 357p (+12p)
Laporte .... 677p (+11p)
Wellcome .... 723p (+15p)
Campari .... 103p (+10p)
British Aerospace .... 404p (+11p)
British Land .... 413p (+15p)
Rothmans 'B' .... 634p (+11p)
Man United .... 591p (+11p)

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Series Mngd Fd	424.70	449.50	+2.10	...
Series Equity	537.60	568.90	+3.60	...
Series Prop Fd	411.80	435.80	+0.10	...
Series Fixed Int	324.50	343.40	+0.40	...
Series Money Fd	242.20	256.40	+0.20	...
Series Oseas Fd	336.30	355.90	+0.80	...
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE 2-12 Pentonville Road, London N1 9XD 0800 018575				
Life Funds				
Squirrel	17.39	18.31	+0.01	...
Bear	19.13	20.14	+0.14	...
Owl	19.13	20.14	+0.21	...
Bull	17.29	18.20	-0.16	...
Stag	18.61	19.59	+0.12	...
Gilt Edged	18.80	18.80	+0.05	...
Deposit	15.31	15.31	...	...
Pensions				
Squirrel	23.22	24.45	+0.02	...
Bear	25.65	27.01	+0.23	...
Owl	25.60	26.95	+0.32	...
Bull	21.93	23.09	+0.25	...
Stag	23.03	24.25	+0.17	...
Gilt Edged	23.14	23.14	+0.06	...
Deposit	19.46	19.46	+0.01	...
Pre 1982 Series				
3-Way Fund	567.18	567.19	+3.36	...
1982 Series				
UK Equity	338.48	356.30	+2.46	...
N Amer Equity	289.19	304.42	-2.77	...
Far East Equity	396.96	417.86	+2.30	...
Fixed	294.57	310.08	+0.86	...
Cash Deposit	197.33	207.62	+0.11	...
Property	137.06	144.28	-1.32	...
Special Opp	373.13	392.77	+0.95	...
Managed	297.32	312.97	-2.19	...
Index-Linked Fd	193.21	203.38	+0.06	...
ABBEY LIFE Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0202 292373				
Property Fd Inc	261.20	275.00	+0.10	...
-do- Acc	459.50	483.70	+0.20	...
Equity Fd Inc	165.70	174.50	+3.10	...
-do- Acc	215.10	226.50	+3.90	...
Selective Fd	470.20	495.00	+3.90	...
Money Fd	362.30	381.40	-0.30	...
Prop Fd Ser 4	357.90	376.80	+0.10	...
Equity Ser 4	207.60	218.60	+2.90	...
Man Ser 4	640.00	673.70	+7.00	...
Conv Ser 4	317.20	333.90	+0.30	...
Money Ser 4	316.80	333.50	+0.30	...
Fixed Int Ser 4	345.40	363.60	+1.70	...
American Ser 4	487.90	513.60	-11.30	...
High Inc Ser 4	641.30	675.10	+6.70	...
Indexed Inv Ser 4	213.10	224.40	-1.30	...
Japan Ser 4	373.80	393.50	+1.80	...
ALBANY LIFE 3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 1AJ 0707 42311				
Equity Fd Acc	1505.1	1584.2	+19.30	...
European Fd Acc	337.70	355.40	+3.50	...
Fixed Int Acc	530.00	557.80	+3.00	...
Gtd Money Acc	321.90	338.80	+0.20	...
Intl Managed Acc	571.00	601.00	+4.10	...
Int Fxd Int Acc	323.90	340.90	-2.00	...
Japan Fund	305.10	321.10	-2.10	...
N American Acc	307.10	323.20	-4.70	...
Prop Fd Acc	381.90	402.00	-1.20	...
Multiple Inv Acc	1001.8	1054.5	+9.00	...
ALLIED DUNBAR ASSURANCE Swindon SN1 1EL 0793 514514				
Fxd Int Dep Acc	358.60	377.50	+0.30	...
Equity Acc	1348.6	1419.6	-15.30	...
Property Acc	489.40	515.20	+0.20	...
Far East Acc	291.60	307.00	+2.10	...
Managed Capital	522.90	550.50	+5.40	...
-do- Acc	1039.1	1093.8	+10.80	...
Overseas Acc	896.60	943.80	+13.90	...
Gilt Edged Acc	472.50	497.20	+3.50	...
Amer Equity Acc	717.70	755.50	-18.00	...
Amer Man Acc	307.10	323.30	-7.60	...
Amer Prop Acc	114.90	121.00	-2.90	...
AXA EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASSURANCE Amersham Road, High Wycombe, Bucks 0494 463463				
Reserve Ser 5	143.30	150.80	-0.40	...
Balced Ser 5	665.20	700.20	-6.60	...
Opportunity Ser 5	151.00	158.90	+1.20	...
Distribution Ser 5	102.80	108.20	+1.20	...
UK Equities Ser 5	913.50	961.50	+15.90	...
Higher Inc Ser 5	986.20	1038.1	+16.30	...
North Amer Ser 5	423.90	446.20	-9.90	...
Far East Ser 5	543.40	572.00	+5.40	...
Europe Ser 5	339.10	356.90	+1.40	...
Intnl Ser 5	533.80	561.80	+1.20	...
Property Ser 5	462.30	486.60	+0.70	...
Fixed Int Ser 5	413.70	435.40	+1.50	...
Ind-Lnkd Sec 55	182.10	192.20	+1.00	...
Gteed Dep Ser 5	285.60	300.60	+0.30	...
BARCLAYS LIFE 252 Romford Road, London E7 9JB 081 534 5544				
Equity Acc	795.40	837.30	+9.60	...
-do- Initial	547.30	576.20	+6.80	...
Gilt Edged Acc	387.70	408.20	+2.10	...
-do- Initial	269.20	283.40	+1.50	...
International Acc	380.70	400.80	+0.90	...
-do- Initial	262.50	276.40	+0.60	...
Managed Acc	495.70	521.80	+4.50	...
-do- Initial	342.90	361.00	+3.20	...
Money Acc	280.60	295.40	+0.20	...
Property Acc	255.00	268.50	+6.80	...
-do- Initial	175.00	184.30	+4.30	...
America Acc	274.90	289.40	-5.90	...
Australia Acc	189.70	199.70	+4.00	...
Financial Acc	311.30	327.70	-5.00	...
500 Accum	419.50	441.60	+3.50	...
Japan Genl Acc	373.20	392.90	-0.20	...
Income Acc	498.00	524.30	+6.40	...
Leisure Acc	204.00	214.80	+0.50	...
Special Sits Acc	218.10	229.60	+2.40	...
Univ Tech Acc	144.80	152.50	+0.30	...

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BLACK HORSE LIFE Mountbatten House, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834000				
The Managed Fd	765.07	765.07	+6.55	...
Income Fund	734.99	773.68	+8.69	...
Extra Income	675.50	711.06	+8.63	...
Worldwide Gth	476.28	501.35	+1.13	...
Balanced Fund	630.10	663.27	+6.96	...
Smllr Cos Recov	632.84	666.15	+2.67	...
N Amer & Genrl	369.67	389.13	-4.39	...
Pacific Basin	398.99	419.99	+10.45	...
German Growth	223.32	235.08	+3.72	...
Japan Growth	186.96	196.80	-2.20	...
The UK Gth Fd	198.67	209.13	+2.05	...
Contl Euro Gth	119.07	125.34	+1.20	...
Property Fund	350.92	369.39	-1.04	...
Fixed Interest	314.04	330.57	+1.01	...
Cash Fund	273.30	287.69	+0.16	...
Managed Inv	465.64	490.15	+4.08	...
Nth Amer Recov	245.43	258.35	-1.89	...
Abtrust Fund				
Managed Grth	452.48	476.30	+9.32	...
BRITANNIA LIFE ASSURANCE PO Box 37, Greenock, Renfrewshire 0475 868000				
Measured Perf	154.90	163.90	+0.90	...
Performance Plus	151.80	160.60	+2.90	...
With Profit Perf	164.10	173.60	+0.10	...
UK Opportunity	170.90	180.80	+2.30	...
Euro Opportunity	197.40	208.80	+1.70	...
North Amer Opp	151.50	160.30	-3.70	...
Far East Opp	177.40	187.70	+3.20	...
Gwth Prop Ser 1	143.20	150.80	...	...
Gth Prop Ser 2	159.50	168.70	-0.10	...
Fixed Int	188.20	199.10	-5.40	...
Cash	150.90	159.60	+0.10	...
Overseas	175.10	185.20	+3.20	...
CANADA LIFE 24 High Street, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA 0707 51122				
Equity Growth	1238.60	...	...	...
Managed	313.50	330.10	+1.70	...
Property	208.50	219.50	+0.10	...
Gilt & Fxd Int	242.90	255.40	+1.40	...
Equity	344.30	362.50	+2.80	...
Cash	210.60	221.70	+0.10	...
CLife Euro Mgd	339.50	357.40	+4.60	...
CLife Intl Fd	353.40	372.10	-1.00	...
CANNON ASSURANCE 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876				
Equity Units	£121.55	...	+3.76	...
Property Units	£26.01	...	...	...
Bal Bd Exec Unit	£64.14	£67.87	+0.73	...
2nd Equity Acc	613.40	649.10	+17.20	...
2nd High Inc Ac	594.10	628.70	+15.30	...
2nd Property Acc	238.20	252.10	...	...
2nd Mngd 2 Acc	181.60	192.20	+0.40	...
2nd Mngd 3 Acc	456.20	482.80	+4.90	...
2nd Mngd 4 Acc	221.40	234.30	+1.80	...
2nd Deposit Acc	271.30	287.10	...	...
2nd Gilt Acc	305.30	323.10	+3.30	...
2nd Amer Acc	660.40	698.80	-20.40	...
2nd Intl Mny Acc	254.60	269.40	-2.30	...
2nd Index Acc	205.10	217.00	+2.20	...
2nd Far East Acc	424.10	448.80	+4.10	...
2nd Global Acc	172.40	182.40	+0.20	...
2nd Euro Acc	151.10	159.90	+2.10	...
2nd Japan Acc	215.10	227.60	-1.10	...
2nd Heritage Acc	71.10	75.20	...	...
2nd Int Cr Bd Acc	161.20	170.60	-1.50	...
2nd Cap Gth Acc	122.20	129.30	+1.90	...
CITY OF WESTMINSTER ASSURANCE Sentry House, 500 Avebury Blvd, Milton Keynes MK9 2NU. 0908 606101				
Property Fund	172.20	180.00	...	...
Managed Fund	587.40	618.40	+10.60	...
Equity Fund	333.30	350.90	+8.10	...
CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INVESTMENTS Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH. 0272 290566				
Assurance Funds				
Sapphire Mixed	274.50	289.00	+2.90	...
Ruby	158.40	166.80	-0.40	...
Emerald	143.60	151.20	-0.90	...
Equity	312.60	329.10	+5.80	...
Property	194.60	204.90	+2.00	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	208.90	219.90	+1.70	...
Indexed Secs	169.30	178.20	+1.20	...
Cash	180.30	189.80	+0.10	...
Nth American	209.90	221.00	-4.00	...
Far East	284.80	299.80	+5.60	...
International	223.40	235.20	-0.50	...
Special Sits	302.40	318.40	+1.30	...
Intl Income	281.20	296.00	-3.50	...
American Inc	182.80	192.50	-2.30	...
European	283.50	298.50	+2.80	...
Japanese	152.50	160.60	-0.90	...
SE Asia	311.00	327.40	+6.40	...
With Profits Reg	151.50	159.50	+0.30	...
-do- Spec	151.50	159.50	-0.30	...
Flexible Retirement Plans Funds				
Mixed	304.00	320.00	+2.90	...
Equity	355.50	374.30	+0.10	...
Property	177.70	187.10	+0.70	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	256.80	270.40	+2.60	...
Index Linked	179.30	188.80	+1.20	...
Cash	237.40	249.90	+0.20	...
Nth American	265.30	279.30	-5.40	...
Far East Acc	323.60	340.70	+1.60	...
International Acc	285.20	300.30	-1.70	...
Special Sits	447.30	470.90	-0.50	...
European Flex	392.60	413.30	+4.80	...
COLONIAL MUTUAL GROUP Colonial Mutual House, Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY. 0634 890 000				
(Units) Key	1220.07	...	...	...
-do- Pacemaker	1004.35	...	...	...
-do- Cash	197.50	207.89	+0.12	...
-do- Equity	513.79	540.83	+4.12	...
-do- Fxd Int	368.54	387.94	+1.33	...
-do- Managed	372.92	392.55	+2.84	...
-do- Property	320.70	337.58	+5.41	...
(Pensns) Cash Cap	206.42	217.30	+0.07	...
-do- Cash Inv	290.16	305.44	+0.31	...
-do- Equity Cap	1399.1	1472.8	+22.22	...
-do- Equity Inv	1966.0	2037.6	...	...

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-do- Fixed Cap	405.59	426.95	+0.81	...
-do- Fixed Inv	570.11	600.13	+1.54	...
-do- Index Cap	213.10	224.33	-1.84	...
-do- Index Inv	299.55	315.32	+2.70	...
Mngd Cap	560.16	589.65	+4.61	...
Mngd Inv	787.38	828.83	+7.04	...
COMMERCIAL UNION St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3. 071 283 7500				
Var Ann Acc (5)	£667.46	...	+11.43	...
Var Ann (5)	390.00	...	+1.19	...
Prime: Managed	385.70	406.10	+3.50	...
Prime: UK Equity	461.00	485.30	+6.50	...
Prime: Int Equity	295.80	311.40	+0.40	...
Prime: Property	200.70	211.30	+0.60	...
Prime Fxd Int	246.10	259.10	+1.70	...
Prime: Index-Lnk	178.00	187.40	+1.50	...
Prime: Cash	197.90	208.40	...	...
CONFEDERATION LIFE Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN 0438 744840				
Managed Fund	1079.3	1136.1	+8.90	...
Equity Fund	1541.5	1622.6	+8.00	...
CROWN FINANCIAL Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 0483 715033				
Life Mangd Acc	571.10	601.10	+6.00	...
Life Fxd Int Acc	368.30	387.60	-1.60	...
Life Equity Acc	784.20	825.40	+12.10	...
Life Money Acc	292.40	307.70	+0.30	...
Life Inv Tst Acc	756.90	796.70	+8.30	...
Life Intl Acc	491.30	517.10	-0.60	...
Life High Inc Acc	764.70	804.90	+11.20	...
Life Property Acc	225.00	236.80	+3.30	...
Crown Brit Inv A	1138.3	...	...	...
Brewin Equity	676.40	712.00	+5.80	...
Life Equity Acc	234.00	246.30	...	...
EAGLE STAR LIFE ASSURANCE Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ. 0242 221311				
Secure Fund	169.00	177.90	+0.10	...
Blue Chip Fund	233.00	245.30	+1.00	...
-do- Series 2	150.10	158.00	+0.70	...
Adventurous Fd	200.90	211.50	-1.60	...
-do- Series 2	151.40	159.40	+1.20	...
Performance Fd	240.80	253.50	-0.60	...
-do- Series 2	156.40	164.70	-0.30	...
UK Pref Fxd Int	144.70	152.40	+0.50	...
UK Equity Fund	150.20	158.20	+1.40	...
Property Fund	105.00	110.60	+0.50	...
Environmnt Opps	148.90	156.80	+1.90	...
Euro Fund	163.40	172.00	+1.00	...
North Amer Fd	186.30	196.20	-3.70	...
Oriental Ops	187.00	196.90	+6.20	...
Japanese Fund	130.70	137.60	+0.30	...
Bd & West Life	117.10	123.30	+0.10	...
Bd & West Pen	128.70	135.50	+0.20	...
EAGLE STAR/MIDLAND 60 St Mary Axe, London EC3. 071 929 1111				
Eagle/Mid Uts	256.60	265.90	+3.30	3.44
FRIENDS' PROVIDENT Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH 0722 413366				
Managed (Mixd)	290.10	305.40	+2.80	...
UK Equity	386.60	407.00	+5.60	...
Stewardship	331.50	349.00	+3.40	...
Overseas Equity	261.40	275.20	+0.70	...
North American	140.40	147.80	-2.80	...
Pacific Basin	149.80	157.70	+1.70	...
European	188.90	198.90	+1.20	...
Property	187.80	197.70	+0.20	...
Fixed Interest	232.40	244.70	+1.50	...
Index Linked	168.70	177.60	+1.40	...
Cash	192.90	203.10	+0.20	...
GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, Lond EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567				
GT Plan Far East	340.50	358.50	-0.70	...
GT Plan Wwide	497.80	524.00	-2.40	...
GENERAL ACCIDENT 2 Rougier Street, York YO1 1HR. 0904 628982				
Managed	196.00	206.20	+1.80	...
Unitsed Profit	125.20	131.60	+0.20	...
UK Equity	264.30	278.10	+3.40	...
Fixed Int	197.60	207.90	+1.60	...
Index-Linked	170.00	178.80	+1.50	...
Cash Deposit	168.70	177.50	-0.10	...
Property	166.00	174.60	+0.10	...
International	176.60	185.80	-1.70	...
American	151.20	159.00	-3.60	...
Japan	258.00	271.40	-0.60	...
Japan Smllr Cos	264.50	278.40	-0.50	...
European	169.20	178.00	+0.80	...
Pacific Fund	245.60	258.40	+6.60	...
Conv Life	134.60	141.60	+0.10	...
GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE Gen Portfolio House, Harlow, Essex CM20 2EW. 0279 626262				
Portfolio Acc	688.00	688.00	+6.80	...
-do- Inv A	687.90	724.20	-7.20	...
UK Equity	389.70	410.30	+8.60	...
Gilt Plus	210.90	222.10	+1.30	...
Managed	301.30	317.30	+3.30	...
Inter Man	270.10	284.30	+1.30	...
GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE Royal Exchange London EC3. 071 283 7101				
Ass Prop Bds	667.20	695.00	...	...
Managed Initial	455.00	479.00	+6.50	...
-do- Acc	632.30	665.50	+9.30	...
Equity Initial	656.70	691.20	+12.50	...
-do- Acc	912.30	960.30	+17.80	...
Fixed Int Initial	450.20	473.90	+4.40	...
-do- Acc	625.90	658.80	+6.50	...
Intl Initial	450.60	474.30	-0.80	...
-do- Acc	626.00	659.00	-0.80	...
Nth Amer Initial	180.20	189.70	-5.00	...
-do- Acc	227.90	239.90	-6.20	...
Pacific Initial	241.30	254.00	-1.70	...
-do- Acc	302.30	318.20	-2.00	...
Property Initial	153.80	161.90	...	...
-do- Acc	213.60	224.80	...	...
Index-Lnkd Initl	169.00	175.70	+1.40	...
-do- Acc	211.10	222.20	+1.90	...
Deposit Initial	194.40	204.70	+0.10	...
-do- Acc	270.10	284.40	+0.30	...

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Euro Initial	94.00	99.00	+1.10	...
-do- Acc	109.90	115.70	+1.40	...
HAMBRO GUARDIAN ASSURANCE Kingsgate, 1 King Edward Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4HG. 0277 200439				
Managed	157.90	166.20	+1.90	...
-do- Pens	190.70	200.70	+2.50	...
UK Equity	156.50	164.70	+2.60	...
-do- Pens	175.20	184.40	+2.60	...
International	145.00	152.60	+0.90	...
-do- Pens	154.70	162.80	+1.10	...
Deposit	135.50	142.60	+0.10	...
-do- Pens	158.20	166.50	+0.20	...
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION 3 Finsbury Avenue, London EC2M 2PA 071 638 5757				
UK Equity Fd	366.80	390.30	+3.70	...
North America	338.20	359.80	-5.40	...
Far East Fund	593.60	631.50	+9.00	...
Global Managed	452.50	481.40	+3.00	...
Deposit Fund	221.60	235.30	...	...
Prime Residential	126.00	132.70	...	...
European Fund	244.90	260.60	+1.40	...
Fixed Interest	72.40	77.10	...	...
HILL SAMUEL LIFE NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
Security Fund	489.20	517.70	+5.00	...
British Fund	494.90	523.80	+8.00	...
International	487.00	515.40	-1.20	...
Dollar Fund	356.60	377.40	-6.80	...
Capital Fund	442.50	468.30	+4.30	...
Income Fund	677.30	716.80	+12.30	...
Property Series A	395.90	419.00	-0.40	5.90
Property Units	642.40	674.60	-0.80	...
Financial Fund	553.70	586.00	-12.60	...
Managed Ser A	515.50	545.60	+4.60	...
-do- C	...	...	...	...
Managed Units	922.00	970.60	+8.20	...
High Yield Fund	653.60	691.70	+8.50	...
Money Series A	277.60	291.80	+0.21	...
Money Units	366.20	385.50	+0.30	...
Equity Fund	582.70	616.70	+5.60	...
Fixed Interest	383.00	405.30	+4.40	...
Indexed Secs	187.90	198.90	+1.90	...
European Fund	683.10	722.90	+7.90	...
Natural Res	258.40	273.50	+3.30	...
Far East Fund	611.30	646.90	+4.30	...
Smaller Cos	456.40	483.00	+1.90	...
Special Sits	430.50	455.60	+4.00	...
Man Currency	252.70	267.50	-1.30	...
Japanese Tech	264.20	279.60	-0.90	...
US Smaller Cos	229.80	243.20	-9.90	...
IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE Irish Life Centre, Victoria Street, St Albans, Herts AL1 3TF. 0727 48181				
Global Managed	528.80	556.60	+4.60	...
Global Property	263.50	277.40	...	...
Global Fixed Int	514.30	541.40	+3.40	...
Global Equity	560.40	589.90	+6.50	...
Global Cash	205.80	216.60	+0.20	...
LAURENTIAN LIFE Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RZ 0452 371371				
Gtd Mgd	487.50	513.10	+2.00	...
Property	434.10	456.90	+1.40	...
Managed	400.70	421.70	+3.60	...
American	387.50	407.60	-9.80	...
UK Equity Fd	431.90	454.60	+7.40	...
Japan	220.50	232.10	+0.60	...
Index-Lkd	185.50	195.20	+0.90	...
High Yield	822.10	865.30	+14.40	...
Growth Cap	441.30	464.50	+1.60	...
Money	388.50	408.90	+0.30	...
International	375.10	394.80	-0.60	...
Henderson Active	211.40	222.50	+1.80	...
Perpetual Active	313.00	329.40	+4.60	...
Growth Cap	441.30	464.50	+1.90	...
-do- Acc	625.70	658.60	+5.60	...
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT ASSURANCE 2 Montefiore Road, Hove, Sussex BN3 1SE 0273 824000				
B Soc Lnkd Inlt	135.00	142.20	...	...
-do- Acc	179.60	189.10	+0.10	...
Brit Opps Init	137.30	144.60	+1.90	...
-do- Acc	164.50	173.20	+2.30	...
Cash Initial	166.90	175.70	+0.20	...
-do- Acc	277.40	292.00	+0.30	...
Equity Initial	631.80	665.10	+11.50	...
-do- Acc	1050.0	1105.3	+18.90	...
Fixed Initial	363.20	382.40	+1.80	...
-do- Acc	603.60	635.40	+2.80	...
Index-Lnkd Gilt	141.50	149.00	+1.10	...
-do- Acc	200.60	211.20	+1.50	...
Intl Initial	339.10	357.00	+0.40	...
-do- Acc	554.80	584.00	+0.50	...
Managed Initial	470.50	495.30	+4.80	...
-do- Acc	782.00	823.20	+8.10	...
Property Initial	192.90	203.10	+1.30	...
-do- Acc	320.70	337.60	+2.20	...
LIFE ASSOCIATION OF SCOTLAND 113 Dundas Street, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 5000				
Managed Fund	343.30	361.40	+2.60	...
UK Equity	563.30	593.50	+6.80	...
Property	281.50	296.40	+1.20	...
Money Market	243.80	256.70	+0.20	...
Fixed Interest	326.50	343.70	+4.20	...
Japan	422.20	444.50	-1.70	...
North America	153.50	161.60	-3.60	...
International	290.10	305.40	+1.50	...
European	259.60	273.30	+2.60	...
Far East	134.00	141.10	+0.50	...
LONDON LIFE 100 Temple Street, Bristol BS1 6EA 0272 279179				
Equity	£960.70	...	+11.20	...
Fixed Interest	£412.10	...	+1.70	...
Property	£349.20	...	+1.00	...
Deposit	£281.00	...	+0.20	...
Mixed	£567.90	...	+5.40	...
Indexed Stock	£215.60	...	+0.90	...
International	£218.90	...	+1.30	...
Equity A	£202.20	...	+2.60	...
Fixed Int A	£183.20	...	+0.80	...
Property A	£153.80	...	+0.40	...

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
Deposit A	£165.50	...	+0.20	...
Mixed A	£187.00	...	+1.80	...
Index Stock A	£169.20	...	+1.20	...
International A	£174.50	...	+0.80	...
Equity P	£716.30	...	+11.80	...
Fixed Int P	£534.30	...	+2.30	...
Property P	£277.30	...	-1.00	...
Deposit P	£327.00	...	+0.30	...
Mixed P	£520.70	...	-6.20	...
Index Stock P	£245.00	...	+1.60	...
International P	£321.80	...	+2.11	...
LONDON & MANCHESTER ASSURANCE Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS. 0392 282456				
Inv Trust Cap	£599.00	...	+8.00	...
-do- Acc	£951.80	...	+13.50	...
Property Cap	£152.00	...	...	...
-do- Acc	£233.50	...	+0.20	...
Fxd Interest Cap	£210.60	...	+0.90	...
-do- Acc	£324.80	...	+1.60	...
Equity Cap	£319.10	...	+4.40	...
-do- Acc	£497.50	...	+7.20	...
Internatl Cap	£237.20	...	+0.90	...
-do- Acc	£366.50	...	+1.70	...
Gtd Deposit Cap	£169.00	...	-0.10	...
-do- Acc	£257.90	...	+0.20	...
Flexible Cap	£348.90	...	+3.30	...
-do- Acc	£542.80	...	+5.50	...
Moneymaker Fd	£427.60	...	+4.50	...
Capital Growth	£1591.5	...	+21.00	...
M & G Victoria Road, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1FB 0245 266266				
Amer Bond Acc	387.50	407.00	-9.80	...
Amer Rec Bond	460.00	483.10	-3.40	...
Am Smlr Cos Bd	233.60	245.40	-3.60	...
Australasia Bd	207.50	217.90	+4.70	...
Commodity Bond	251.60	264.10	+2.00	...
Deposit Bond Acc	349.30	366.80	+0.30	...
Equity Bond Acc	1400.7	1470.8	+19.90	...
European Bd Acc	339.40	356.40	+2.10	...
Extra Yld Bd Acc	692.30	727.10	+11.50	...
Far East Bd Acc	300.40	315.50	+5.40	...
Gilt Bond Acc	454.80	477.70	+2.10	...
Gold Bond Acc	137.00	144.00	-5.20	...
High Yield Bond	339.10	356.30	+3.30	...
Index-Lnk Gt Bd	217.70	228.70	+2.00	...
International Bd	721.10	757.20	+0.70	...
Japan Bond Acc	286.50	300.90	-3.80	...
Japan Sm Cos Ac	268.30	281.70	-2.60	...
Managed Bonds	843.10	885.40	+11.10	...
Prop Bond Acc	346.00	362.80	+10.90	...
Rec Bond Acc	707.60	743.10	+6.10	...
MGM ASSURANCE MGM House, Heene Road, Worthing BN11 2DY. 0903 204631				
UK Equity	223.20	235.00	+3.70	...
UK Equity Acc	302.30	318.30	+5.10	...
Special Sits	91.00	95.80	+0.10	...
Special Sits Acc	123.30	129.80	+0.10	...
North American	178.10	187.50	-2.80	...
N American Acc	241.40	254.20	-3.50	...
Pacific Basin	369.00	388.50	+1.10	...
Pacific Basin Acc	500.00	526.40	+1.90	...
Fixed Interest	301.70	317.60	+1.40	...
Fixed Interest Acc	409.20	430.80	+2.30	...
Property	154.40	162.60	+0.10	...
Property Acc	209.40	220.50	+0.20	...
Deposit	152.00	160.00	...	...
Deposit Acc	206.50	217.40	+0.20	...
Managed	256.60	270.20	+3.00	...
Managed Acc	320.30	337.20	+3.70	...
MANULIFE GROUP St Georges Way, Stevenage, Herts 0438 356101				
Managed Fund	677.80	713.50	+4.90	...
Property Fund	481.40	506.70	+0.50	...
Equity Fund	846.50	891.00	+12.50	...
Gilt Edged Fd	620.00	652.60	+4.00	...
Deposit Fund	318.60	335.40	+0.20	...
Investment Fd	358.20	376.20	+5.10	...
International	546.80	575.60	+3.00	...
MERCHANT INVESTORS St Bartholomews House, Lewins Mead Bristol BS1 2NH 0272 266 366				
Property	417.00	438.90	+0.60	...
UK Equity	330.80	348.20	+5.10	...
Gilt Edged	578.40	608.80	+2.10	...
Interest Fund	366.40	385.60	+0.30	...
UK Fund	473.30	498.20	+7.20	...
Intl Equity	565.80	595.50	+6.40	...
Intl Managed	533.70	561.70	+11.00	...
North American	202.80	213.40	-2.30	...
Far East	432.70	455.40	+7.60	...
Intl Currency	265.30	279.20	...	...
NM LIFE ASSURANCE Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
Equity	140.00	147.30	+1.30	...
Fixed Interest	541.40	569.80	+2.10	...
Managed	669.10	704.30	+3.70	...
Deposit	327.80	345.00	+0.30	...
Property	389.70	410.20	+5.10	...
American	398.50	419.40	-5.00	...
Australian	476.90	502.00	+5.10	...
European	493.80	519.70	+0.10	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	259.50	273.10	+1.00	...
Global Managed	134.50	141.50	+0.70	...
Income Acc	748.30	787.60	+9.50	...
-do- Dist	477.90	503.00	+8.30	4.69
International	310.70	327.00	+3.20	...
Japan Smaller	553.80	582.00	+1.40	...
Singapore & Mal	339.60	357.40	-1.00	...
Smaller Cos	377.10	396.90	+0.20	...
Tokyo Fund	701.10	738.00	+8.30	...
UK Equity	577.80	608.20	+6.70	...
CCM Vangd Mg	707.70	744.90	+15.20	...
Equity Pens Cap	955.90	1005.7	+15.80	...
NPI 48 Gracechurch Street, London EC3P 3HH 071 623 4200				
Managed	454.80	478.80	+3.80	...
UK Equity	568.60	598.80	+9.70	...
Overseas Equity	448.40	472.10	-1.60	...
Americas	397.00	417.90	-6.30	...
Far East	511.10	538.00	+2.40	...

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Property	198.80	209.30	+0.50	...
Fixed Interest	361.10	380.20	+1.10	...
Indexed Gilt	233.90	246.30	+1.70	...
Deposit	208.50	219.50	+0.10	...
NORWICH UNION LIFE INSURANCE SOCIETY - Ex NUAM Funds PO Box 140, Norwich NR3 1PP 0603 622200				
Managed Fund	1322.5	1392.1	+14.20	...
Equity Fund	2883.6	3035.4	+50.00	...
Property Fd	462.30	486.60	+2.20	...
Fixed Int Fd	595.00	626.30	+1.80	...
Deposit Fund	334.00	351.60	+0.20	...
Intl Fund	225.60	237.50	+0.60	...
PEARL ASSURANCE Pearl House, Thorpe Wood, Peterborough PE3 6SA. 0733 63222				
Inv Prop Dist	153.30	161.40	+0.20	...
Prop Acc (Gross)	291.60	307.00	+0.30	...
Inv Equity	1158.4	1219.4	+17.90	...
Inv Managed	808.00	850.50	+9.20	...
Ret Managed	897.50	944.80	+12.00	...
PROLIFIC LIFE & PENSIONS LTD Stramongate, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4UB 0539 733733				
Bal Gwth Mngd	758.40	806.90	+5.80	...
Cash Fund	326.60	344.20	+0.30	...
Property Fund	225.60	240.00	-1.40	...
Equity Fund	888.50	945.30	+5.00	...
Fxd Interest Fund	452.00	476.30	+1.00	...
International	398.40	423.90	+3.30	...
High Income	677.80	721.10	+6.20	...
Far East	546.90	581.90	+6.60	...
North American	535.40	569.60	-3.60	...
Special Sits	615.70	655.10	+9.50	...
Technology	508.90	541.40	-10.80	...
Extra Income Fd	366.00	389.40	+4.20	...
Gilt Fund	473.10	503.40	+1.00	...
European	144.30	153.60	+0.20	...
Adventurous Mg	305.30	316.30	+2.50	...
Secure Mgd	141.10	150.20	+0.90	...
Equity Inc Dist	117.40	124.90	+0.70	4.64
North American	112.10	119.30	+0.80	5.19
PROVIDENCE CAPITOL 2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA 0256 768888				
Equity Fund Acc	282.40	297.90	+4.60	...
Fxd Interest Acc	239.10	252.30	+1.80	...
International Acc	246.80	260.40	+5.50	...
Managed Acc	213.40	225.20	+2.40	...
Property Acc	220.40	232.50	-8.30	...
Money Acc	148.60	156.80	+0.10	...
Spec Mkt Acc	208.80	220.30	+2.50	...
Japan Equity Acc	131.80	139.10	+1.20	...
N Amer Acc	155.90	164.50	-1.00	...
Pacific Acc	154.00	162.50	+4.20	...
European Acc	154.70	163.20	+4.20	...
PROVIDENT MUTUAL William Road, Hitchin, Herts SG4 0LP 0438 739000				
Managed Ord	446.70	470.20	+4.40	...
Managed Initial	312.80	329.30	+3.00	...
Equity Ord	668.20	703.40	+11.50	...
Equity Init	467.90	492.50	+7.80	...
I-Linked Gilt Ord	207.30	218.20	+1.50	...
I-Linked Gilt Init	151.60	159.60	+1.00	...
Oseas Equity Ord	365.70	384.90	-0.30	...
Oseas Equity Init	256.10	269.60	-0.20	...
Property Ord	235.20	247.60	+0.30	...
Property Init	164.70	173.40	+0.10	...
Fixed Int Ord	281.10	295.90	+1.70	...
Fixed Int Init	196.80	207.20	+1.10	...
Deposit Ord	198.90	209.40	+0.20	...
Deposit Initial	139.30	146.60	+0.10	...
PRUDENTIAL Holborn Bars, London EC1N 2NH 071 405 9222				
Managed	320.40	333.80	+3.00	...
PRUDENTIAL INDIVIDUAL LIFE FUNDS 1 Stephen Street, London W1P 2AP 071 548 3278				
Managed Fund	722.30	760.40	+9.40	...
Equity Fund	1402.3	1476.2	+25.10	...
Intl Fund	570.00	600.10	+4.10	...
Fixed Interest	577.00	607.40	+3.00	...
Property Fund	378.50	398.50	+0.30	...
Cash Fund	352.60	371.20	+0.20	...
Pacific Basin	332.40	349.90	+9.20	...
N American Fd	232.30	244.60	-3.70	...
Euro Fund	244.50	257.40	+1.60	...
Balanced Fund	145.40	153.10	+1.90	...
Strategic Fund	150.00	157.90	+1.30	...
ROYAL HERITAGE LIFE ASSURANCE Peterborough Business Park, Peterborough PE2 6GG. 0733 390000				
Mult Grow (45)	£713.00	...	-13.30	...
-do- Acc	450.50	474.20	-10.40	...
Op Prop	430.10	452.80	+6.00	...
Op Equity	871.80	917.70	+6.30	...
Op High Yield	582.10	612.80	+4.10	...
Op Managed	760.10	800.20	+3.90	...
Op Deposit	378.80	398.80	+0.30	...
Inc Gth	310.10	326.50	-16.80	...
Japan Smlr	265.00	279.00	+2.30	...
Managed Gth	245.70	258.70	+0.40	...
Gilt	83.50	87.90	+0.40	...
British	364.50	387.90	+4.00	...
Global Bond	117.90	124.20	+1.40	...
Global (35.3f)	168.20	177.10	+0.10	...
Gold Share	74.00	77.90	+3.30	...
High Income	303.30	319.30	+3.80	...
Income	433.40	456.30	+5.50	...
Japan	451.70	475.50	+28.90	...
UK Smlr Cos	307.20	323.40	+8.40	...
Mngd Growth	438.20	461.30	+3.10	...
ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051 239 3000				
Royal Shield Fd	908.10	960.90	+9.40	...
Royal Life Unit Linked				
Managed Fund	362.70	381.70	+3.20	...
Equity Fund	503.10	529.50	+6.60	...
Property Fund	269.60	283.70	+7.30	...

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International	456.80	480.80	+3.90	...
Pacific Basin	294.00	309.40	+1.00	...
United States	234.60	246.90	-4.20	...
Gilt Fund	364.20	383.30	+2.30	...
SAVE & PROSPER 16-22 Western Road, Romford, Essex RM1 3LB. 0708 766966				
Bal Inv Fund	710.60	752.00	+5.80	...
Deposit Fund (2)	354.70	375.40	+0.30	...
Gilt Fund	518.80	549.10	+3.60	...
Global Equity Fd	222.60	235.90	+0.60	...
Property Fund (46)	89.40	94.70	...	...
AG Bond Fund	143.50	151.90	+1.40	...
SCOTTISH AMICABLE 150 St Vincent Street, Glasgow 041 248 2323				
Equity	551.00	580.00	+9.20	...
Fixed Interest	369.10	388.60	+3.70	...
Index-Linked	203.40	214.20	+1.80	...
International	436.80	459.80	+3.50	...
Property	248.80	261.90	+0.30	...
Cash	222.90	234.70	+0.20	...
Managed	438.10	461.20	+5.80	...
Cap Gteed Bd	106.40	112.00	+1.90	...
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YF 031 556 9101				
Cash	174.74	183.93	+0.14	...
Index-Linked	164.40	173.10	+1.30	...
Fixed Interest	181.10	190.60	+0.70	...
Mixed	243.40	256.20	+2.90	...
UK Equity	231.80	244.00	+4.50	...
International	243.70	256.50	+0.70	...
American	242.10	254.80	-5.80	...
Japan	249.20	262.30	-0.60	...
European	229.40	241.50	+2.90	...
Pacific	344.60	362.70	+0.40	...
Technology	315.50	332.10	-6.20	...
Currncy/Currncy	228.30	240.50	-1.90	...
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YE 031 225 2211				
Property	183.20	192.90	+0.20	...
UK Equity	341.90	360.00	+7.00	...
American	243.60	256.60	-3.60	...
Pacific	337.80	355.70	+0.80	...
European	444.00	467.50	+6.20	...
International	297.30	313.10	+1.50	...
Fixed Interest	247.10	260.20	+2.00	...
Index Linked	202.90	213.60	+1.90	...
Deposit	187.00	197.00	+0.10	...
Managed	274.20	288.80	+3.70	...
Worldwide	121.30	127.80	+1.10	...
Pen Worldwide	128.40	135.30	+1.00	...
SCOTTISH MUTUAL ASSURANCE 109 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6321				
Flex Fund (35)	1553.4	1601.4	...	...
Safety Fund	234.90	247.30	+2.50	...
Growth Fund	221.10	232.80	+2.60	...
Opportunity Fd	217.00	228.50	+2.90	...
Cash Fund	168.30	177.20	+0.10	...
European Fund	330.10	347.50	+5.20	...
Gilts & Fxd Int	201.80	212.50	+2.00	...
Index-Linked Fd	180.60	190.50	+1.00	...
International Fd	274.20	288.70	+1.40	...
North American	235.10	247.50	-7.70	...
Property Fund	118.30	124.60	+0.30	...
UK Equity	233.10	245.40	+4.90	...
UK Smaller	213.60	224.90	+4.30	...
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT 6 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 556 9181				
Mixed	254.80	268.30	+2.40	...
Equity	270.10	284.50	+2.90	...
International	270.40	284.60	+4.20	...
Property	199.30	209.90	+1.90	...
Fixed Interest	220.70	232.40	+0.90	...
Index Linked	183.80	193.50	+1.70	...
Cash	181.00	190.60	+0.10	...
SCOTTISH WIDOWS PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031 655 6000				
Inv Pol 1	900.00	900.00	+8.40	...
Inv Pol 2	820.20	863.50	+7.90	...
Inv Pol 3	788.30	829.80	+7.20	...
Inv Cash	301.60	317.50	+0.10	...
Mixed Fund	436.50	459.70	+4.40	...
Equity Fund	509.60	536.50	+7.40	...
Property Fund	209.70	220.90	+0.20	...
International Fd	463.50	488.00	+0.50	...
Fixed Interest Fd	380.30	400.30	+2.30	...
Indexed Stock Fd	203.80	214.60	+1.30	...
Cash Fund	219.70	231.30	+0.10	...
SKANDIA LIFE Skandia House, Portland Terrace, Southampton SO9 7BX 0703 334411				
Managed Acc	359.40	378.30	+3.00	...
Equity Acc	418.70	440.70	+5.50	...
International Acc	332.10	349.50	+4.70	...
Property	209.80	220.80	+0.20	...
Royal Trust Mg	230.80	242.90	+2.20	...
STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO 3 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031 225 2552				
Cash	259.50	273.20	+0.20	...
Equity	951.70	1001.8	+15.00	...
European	157.20	165.50	+1.00	...
Far East	165.70	174.50	+1.40	...
Fixed Interest	403.60	424.90	+2.60	...
Index Linked	210.80	221.70	+1.30	...
International	589.70	620.80	+0.50	...
Managed	669.60	704.90	+7.40	...
Nth American	140.80	148.10	-3.20	...
Property	321.80	338.80	+2.70	...
Pensions				
Cash	399.40	420.50	+0.40	...
Equity	1365.4	1437.3	+26.80	...
European	188.30	198.20	+1.30	...
Far East	131.30	138.20	+1.00	...
Fixed Interest	541.90	570.50	+3.80	...

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Index Linked	291.80	307.20	+1.80	...
International	826.20	869.70	-1.00	...
Managed	934.70	983.90	+12.20	...
Nth American	174.30	183.50	-5.20	...
Property	411.80	433.50	+2.10	...
Stock Exchange	211.40	222.60	+2.80	...
SUN ALLIANCE St Mark's Court, Horsham, Sussex 0403 232323				
Managed Fund	625.10	658.00	+6.20	...
Equity Fund	832.00	875.80	+13.40	...
Fixed Interest Fd	423.10	445.40	+2.50	...
Index-Linked Fd	311.10	327.50	+2.30	...
Property Fund	441.90	465.20	+2.40	...
International Fd	600.30	632.20	-0.30	...
N American Fd	232.10	244.40	-3.60	...
Far East Fund	216.20	227.60	+2.60	...
Deposit Fund	284.60	299.60	+0.20	...
International Bd	£180.82	...	+0.09	...
Worldwide Bond	164.60	173.30	-1.40	...
Worldwide Fincl	79.50	83.70	+0.10	...
Worldwide Tech	94.50	99.50	...	...
European	152.90	161.00	+2.30	...
Phoenix Assurance				
Wealth Assured	617.70	650.30	+9.60	...
Ebor Phoenix Eq	441.60	469.20	...	...
Property Growth				
Property Fund	£506.10	...	+2.70	...
-do- Acc	£474.30	...	+2.50	...
Agricultural Fd	£770.50	...	+0.60	...
-do- Acc	£740.30	...	+0.60	...
Abbey Nat Fd	£394.70	...	+1.20	...
Abbey Nat Acc	£418.90	...	+1.30	...
Investment Fd	£330.80	...	+3.10	...
Investment (A)	£318.20	...	+3.10	...
Equity	£1203.5	...	+18.60	...
Equity Acc	£1155.5	...	+17.80	...
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What can be done to help holiday victims



Village banks across the shop counter

Sara McConnell says banks are now considering providing at least a minimal service in areas where they have closed uneconomic branches



STEPHEN MARKESON

An increasing use of mobile banks is one option for maintaining links with customers in outlying areas once local branches have been closed

The village shop that doubles as a bank could become a reality for more communities whose branches have been closing as they are judged to be "uneconomic".

As small towns and villages protest that they no longer have any banking facilities, even cashpoints, close at hand, banks are seeking cheaper ways of providing at least a minimal local service.

They have been widely blamed for contributing to the decline of rural areas by withdrawing local banking facilities. The latest attack comes in a report out next week. *Bankwatch UK*, from the New Economics Foundation, a green research group, will point out that unless clearing banks revive "human scale banking" they could be superceded by community banks, like credit unions.

The British Bankers' Association says more than 700 high street bank branches shut last year, with about 2,400 closed since 1980. Some were the last of the fallout from the mergers that created the big four, but many in small towns and villages have been axed more recently because they were "substantially unprofitable".

Keith Ferguson, NatWest's head of network development, says sharing premises with existing shops or using shopkeepers or sub-postmasters as agents were two of the options being contemplated by the banks. They are aware that there is still a need for over-the-counter banking, in spite of cashpoints and telephone banking.

He says: "The industry is open to any suggestions."

Phil Nunnerley, Lloyds' assistant general manager, says: "If there are further reductions in the number of branches, we will have to find a means of servicing customers. Agencies are not something we currently have plans for but are an option we could consider."

Elderly people, who might not be able to travel to a branch, need banking facilities close at hand, particularly access to cash, he says. Their need, and that of the less well off, will be exacerbated if the government has its way and benefits are paid directly into banks and building societies rather than being available in cash from post offices.

Banks opting for agencies would be travelling a well trodden path. Lloyds used to have agencies in grocers' shops and sub-post offices, but closed its last one in Benenden, Kent, in 1971. Sharing premises with an existing shop, in the way many sub-post offices do, should mean significant cost savings.

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Mr Ferguson says most banks would probably prefer to share facilities rather than allow the shopkeeper to take in and pay out cash and cheques as an agent of the bank. The latter could create regulatory problems for the bank as it would be responsible to the Bank of England for its agents' activities. Banking services would be fairly basic, probably limited to paying in money, possibly paying bills and cashing cheques.

A bank in the village shop would be a logical extension of existing mobile banks, which use vans, boats or planes to service outlying areas. NatWest, Royal Bank of Scotland and Midland offer such services in some parts of the country. In the meantime, many people will still have to put up either with a long trip to the bank because their branch has closed or merged, or with paying stiff charges to another bank. Paying in or withdrawing funds from another bank used to be free until Barclays began charging in 1981. The other banks eagerly followed suit.

If Barclays has the only branch in town, it charges customers of other banks £5 every time they cash a cheque, pay in money or pay a bill. Lloyds levies the same charge. Obtaining cash with a Visa card over the counter as an alternative will cost 1.5 per cent and those not paying off their bill in full at the end of the month will also be charged interest. Midland charges £3 for cashing a cheque, £2 for paying bills and £2 for making a payment to someone banking with a rival. Paying cheques into a Midland account is free. NatWest charges £2 for every credit, including bills, and £3 for drawing money out.

More and more people now have little alternative but to pay these costs, given that Barclays has closed 198 branches in the last 12 months, Lloyds has closed five full branches and 26 sub branches over the same period, NatWest has closed 100 branches a year more than it has opened for the last three years. Midland closed 98 in the first half of last year. Midland has no plans for more closures.

Part of the reason for the closures has been customers' enthusiasm for cashpoints, and telephone banking. If fewer people use branches, they are priced out of existence. Banks are experimenting with cashpoints in motorway service stations and supermarkets as well as linking cashpoints to branches.

Barclays, Lloyds, and Bank of Scotland customers can use each others' cashpoints. NatWest, Midland, TSB, Clydesdale, Northern bank, and Royal Bank of Scotland customers can use each others'.

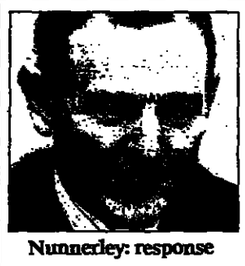
Another option is a Girobank account. Girobank operates through the country's 20,000 post offices, including 18,500 sub post offices. Post offices are more likely to survive when banks close because they offer other services as well, Girobank says.

It is little comfort that many more branches would have been axed if banks had not adopted "clustering" — administration of accounts from several banks in an area by the largest bank. In some cases account numbers and sort codes are changed, which means new chequebooks and cards. Direct debits and standing orders also have to be changed, and although banks will do this, customers may still have to confirm details of new numbers to employers and pension funds.

Weekend Money is edited by Rose Wild

DRIVE TO CUT COSTS SEEN THE FUTURE OF LOCAL BANKING

Phil Nunnerley
Lloyds Assistant General Manager
"In a lot of small villages, the branches are just not profitable. But we are asking what sort of response we should be making to customer needs. We've learnt one thing: never be the last bank out."



Nunnerley: response able to see someone face to face. We are trying to find alternative ways such as a new generation of self-service devices for people to make basic enquiries. For detailed enquiries they will be able to phone."

Steve Richardson
Managing Director Barclaycall (Barclays' telephone banking pilot)
"We won't see branches disappear. Customers value the emotional support of bricks and mortar and being



'Newman: 'critical point'

Kevin Newman
Chief Executive First Direct (telephone banking arm of Midland)
"Banks are at a critical point. It is a vicious circle. If banks cut costs, they cut branches and lose their customers. This is the danger of continuing to bear down on costs.

"The next two or three years will be critical."

Keith Ferguson
Head of Network Development at National Westminster
"There has been an enormous customer shift to ATMs [cashpoint machines] and telephone banking, but I don't see a period when we don't have bank branches on the high street.

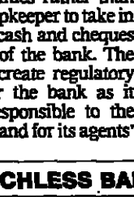
"There is a continuing need for 'localness'. There will be no point when we will be a remote centre."

THE ROUTE TO BRANCHLESS BANKING

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1966	First cheque guarantee card
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1987	Barclays Connect introduce first debit card
1987	Building societies offer banking services after deregulation
1989	First branchless bank First Direct offering 24-hour telephone banking
1989	Switchcard introduced
1991	Sainsbury's offer 'cashback' on debit cards

Building a better reputation

COMMENT



LINDSAY COOK
Deputy Business Editor

It is sad that a building society should become the first financial institution to warrant a public rebuke from the Securities and Investments Board in more than five years of the Financial Services Act. The building society movement used to be a national asset. It stood for putting the customer first, for putting good advice before profit.

The North of England Building Society was, it appears, pretty sloppy in the way it trained staff to sell investments through its life and unit trust intermediary. As a result, it cannot be sure whether some 2,000 customers were sold the correct products.

Of course, the rest of the industry will join in a chorus of disapproval. But secretly, many of them will give thanks that they had a different inspector to check their records. There may well be worse examples of malpractice by financial companies not regulated by the Securities and Investments Board.

Independent actuaries are trying to find out what, if anything, went wrong at the North of England Building Society. If the wrong investments were sold, compensation will have to be paid.

The society's investment advisers seemed to ignore all the basic rules when selling products. They failed to check their customers' financial backgrounds, recommended investments without having reasonable grounds for believing they were suitable, did not supply sufficient information about the risks involved and, when rumbled, failed to co-operate with the regulator.

Such behaviour is much more commonplace than this isolated rebuke might indicate. When trading standards officers visited building societies in Doncaster last year, they found all but one wanting when it came to giving advice to prospective mortgage customers. Those fined for giving misleading information blamed lunchtime staff, a rush of mortgage applications and pernickety rules. Those who escaped thanked their lucky stars that they did not have a branch in Doncaster.

In the case of the North of England Building Society, only life products and unit trusts were involved. We do not know how many customers, of this or other societies, chose endowment or pension mortgages when they would probably have been better off with repayment or interest-only loans.

SIB should be calling for an improvement in the standards of selling endowment mortgages at the earliest opportunity.

The value of such policies being sold to fund house purchase is being called into question. There have been cuts in bonus rates. Large numbers of homebuyers also surrender their policies so early that they get little or nothing back. If building societies want to convince their customers that they too are ashamed of the sales techniques of one of their number, they could join the campaign for closer regulation of their mortgage business.

Knight's move

Poor old Knight Williams is in the news again. The Consumers' Association has taken a second bite at its ankles for the quality of advice given by this self-styled "largest independent retirement income specialist".

This follows the inadvertent identification of Knight Williams as the subject of a large number of complaints to the Financial Intermediaries, Managers and Brokers Regulatory Association, the firm's regulator. The report, in the October *Which?* magazine, says that the association received some 30 complaints about Knight Williams from investors. It calls for tougher enforcement of the rules on investment advice.

Knight Williams is putting on a brave face. It says all is well. It claims to offer more and better funds than any rival.

Fimbra has been unable to detail the complaints about Knight Williams, because it has to "respect the confidentiality" of its members. Investors may not sleep easily until this information is made available. It would appear to be in Knight Williams' interest that an independent voice should attempt to clear the firm's name. Only it can give the go-ahead for the release of information which might make this possible.

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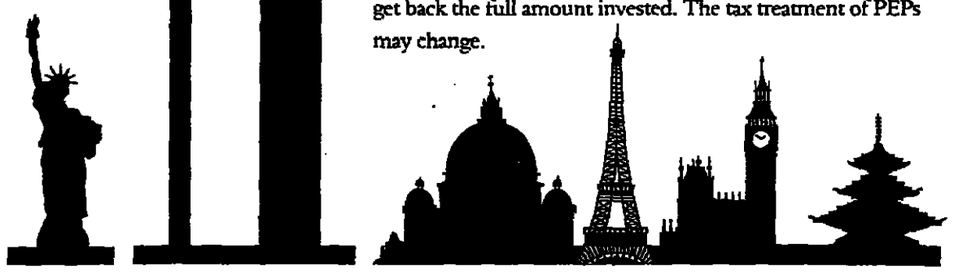
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Engineer claims wrongful bankruptcy, **Shirley Davenport** reports

The cost of the taxman's mistakes

Kenneth Robinson, a Leicestershire businessman who disputed a tax claim, was made bankrupt by the Inland Revenue even though they owed him thousands of pounds in overpaid tax, which he claims would have wiped out the debt.

Months after the bankruptcy that put 104 staff out of work, it has been alleged that the taxman may have got his sums wrong and demanded too much money – something Mr Robinson had always argued but could never prove because, he says, the Inland Revenue would not explain how they reached the figure that landed him in court.

Inland Revenue have denied withholding information and claim they explained their calculations to Mr Robinson on several occasions.

However, Mr Robinson alleges he was led into bankruptcy by a trail of errors which are only just emerging.

As a consulting engineer, Mr Robinson always pre-paid a large amount of his tax by having clients deduct it from his payment and send it to the tax office. So when he received a statutory demand for £127,000 he challenged it. He reckoned the most he was still due to pay was about £40,000.

"I asked for an explanation, but I didn't get one. Neither did a management consultant, two chartered accountants and auditors for the company," Mr Robinson said. "We were told my records were frozen and no information would be released until after the amount was paid or bankruptcy petition granted."

He went to court in May last year, after a number of appeals for an adjournment, and offered to pay £125,000. "It seemed the only way out was to pay what I could and claim back the excess later," he said. "I pooled everything available to get that money, but Inland Revenue refused to accept it. They wanted the exact sum of £127,048.18. I didn't have it, so I was made bankrupt."

Since the bankruptcy he has learnt that he had already overpaid £58,000 tax: and the tax demand may have been overstated by at least £937.35.

Alan Duncan, right MP for Rutland and Melton

Asking questions and trying to get information from the Revenue was 'like dealing with the KGB'





Mr Robinson claims to have been informed the overcharge could be even more.

He says he has also found that letters from Inland Revenue did not reach his office but were sent to an empty property in the same road. "That is why we could not fully understand all they were claiming."

Alan Duncan, Mr Robinson's MP, who tried to intervene with the Inland Revenue, would like to refer the matter to the Ombudsman. "The simple technicality of Mr Robinson trying to put his own case has been a nightmare. Whenever you ask Inland Revenue a question they shift the goalposts. When asked what arithmetic they used to reach the figure on the tax demand they persistently refused to do so and were extraordinarily obtuse. It was like dealing with the KGB," he said.

"The unwillingness of a government office to allow a citizen to put his case is indefensible. It seems that though their calculation may have contained errors, they took proceedings against him and declined to give the co-operation which may have proved these errors.

Gill Hankey, left National officer for the Association of Bankrupts

'Several have said they should not have been made bankrupt because they had tax refunds due'

"This is the fifth case of inexcusable Inland Revenue practice which has been referred to me. There's an important constitutional point here. The Inland Revenue is *almost responsible to nobody.*"

However, the Inland Revenue say there is another side to the story which they are not free to discuss. "The decision to make people bankrupt is not taken lightly," a spokeswoman said. "But if someone is unable to meet his commitments we must protect the taxpayer's interests. Where people are trading we have to collect the tax, particularly if it is a tax on their employees. The money does not belong to the trader, and we may go for bankruptcy in that case, though the Collector of Taxes will usually discuss with the trader the likelihood of meeting the debt. However we cannot let people run up bills and continue to trade when they are not solvent."

She said: "Mr Robinson was repeatedly told the basis on which we arrived at his assessment."

Gill Hankey, national officer for the Association of Bankrupts, said: "I speak to people every day whose main problem is that Inland Revenue is not flexible. Several have said they should not have been made bankrupt because they had tax refunds due which would have cleared their debt. In one case, a chartered accountant did not know Inland Revenue had made him bankrupt until the Official Receiver rang. He claimed he had never received the letter warning him but the irony is he could have settled the £13,000 he owed if he had known."

Brian Jones, a founder-member of Safe (Struggle Against Financial Exploitation), who took up Mr Robinson's case, criticised Inland Revenue's approach: "It seems though they had £58,000 of his overpaid tax they were pursuing him for £2,700 more than he offered. It should have been in the system for them to see."

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How bomb cover is met

IN spite of worries over the IRA's recent bombing campaign in Greater London, insurers insist that household insurance premiums will not be affected (Jill Insley writes).

Bombs in north London this week seriously damaged several businesses. Police believe that the IRA, in resuming attacks in London, may avoid its heavily-protected centre.

Insurers say that the IRA has still to establish a pattern for its bombings. This makes it hard for them to take account of the cost of bomb damage in premium weightings applied to different postal code areas.

Roger Prideaux, of Royal Insurance, said: "The bombs look spectacular, but, in terms of our other costs, they are not significant."

Harm to homes has been negligible. A small storm would cause insurers more pain than they have so far suffered from residential bomb damage.

Greater problems have arisen in renewing insurance for commercial property. After the first City bombing, in April 1992, it became almost impossible for insurers to lay off part of their risk to reinsurers. Insurers threatened to stop offering businesses cover against terrorism. This would have left many businesses financially vulnerable, and the government was persuaded to act as reinsurer of last resort. A company, Pool Re, was formed to limit insurers' exposure to cost of further big bombs.

Commercial customers are now asked to pay extra for insurance against terrorism, but cover against bombs is included in householders' standard premiums. "Don't worry," Mr Prideaux says, "you are all covered."



Clearing up after an IRA bomb in north London on Monday

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Ethical investors point to a betrayal of trust

Jill Insley on a claim of broken pledges after fund takeover

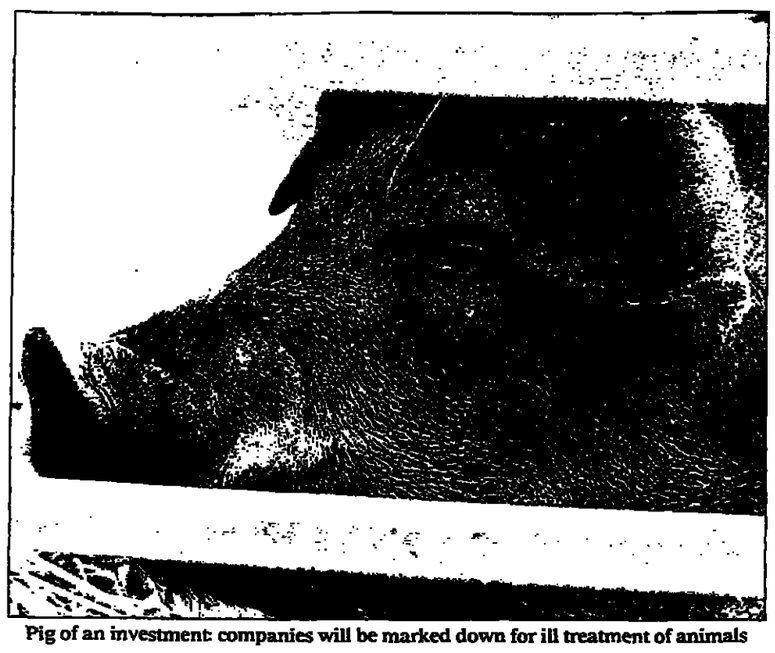
An investor has criticised Edinburgh Fund Managers for refusing to offer the option of free transfers when it merges an ethical trust into a non-ethical trust.

Glynne Evans invested £500 in the £3 million Global Opportunities fund in November 1987, when it was managed by Target Unit Trust Managers, a TSB subsidiary. She chose the trust not only for its ethical investment policy, but because a percentage of its management fees were to be donated to Save the Children.

But Target's 13 trusts were sold to Edinburgh Fund Managers in January this year. Several of these have already been merged with EUTM trusts, and this week unit holders voted that others, including Global Opportunities, should merge on October 15.

Miss Evans says: "Although it is legally permissible to abandon part of the original pledges made to investors, I am not so sure that it is morally defensible." She adds: "Since the Edinburgh Fund Managers have no fund with a similar ethical policy, it is not possible for them to offer a free transfer to those of us who would feel morally obliged to remove our investment from the amalgamated fund. We would therefore incur transfer fees which could mean that we had less to invest in another acceptable fund."

Jim Hay, executive director for EFM, says: "The costs of investing abroad can be astronomical. The Global Opportunities will now be part of a £35 million fund. It's economy of scale." EFM has made a final one-off payment of £15,000 to Save the Children, which Mr Hay says is equivalent to the charity's share of nine months' management fees.



Pig of an investment: companies will be marked down for ill treatment of animals

Dealing in morality

A SMALL but growing band of investors has established the need for investment houses to provide funds with ethically scrupulous criteria (Jill Insley writes).

The first ethical fund, Friends Provident's Stewardship Trust, was launched nine years ago. There are now 18 unit trusts, two investment trusts, ten insurance funds and six pension funds specialising in ethical or environmental investments.

Ethical funds were set up for investors who wanted to avoid supporting questionable industries or regimes. Such areas have traditionally included alcohol, armaments, gambling, pornography and tobacco. They also cover investments in companies that have interests in repressive regimes such as China.

The advent of green funds in the late 1980s brought a move towards positive selection. Funds began to invest in companies that made an effort to help the environment, such as those involved in recycling, air quality and emission control, energy conservation, and assessing the extent of environmental damage.

Investors can influence

The stance of fund managers can vary widely

strategy by attending their fund's annual meeting or by joining the UK Social Investment Forum, whose aim is to encourage socially responsible investment.

The stance of individual fund managers can vary widely. Earlier this year, the Consumers' Association surveyed fund policies on animals, arms, green issues, human rights and political donations. Funds were awarded a percentage rate according to investments in unacceptable companies. One hundred per cent equated to no investment, while 0 per cent represented the same level of investment in unacceptable companies as the average of the FT All Share Index.

Clerical Medical's Evergreen Trust scored 100 per cent for animals, arms and political donations, 98 per cent for human rights and 77 per cent for green issues. But the CIS, which advertises heavily on the basis of its ethics, scored 74 per cent for animals, 79 per cent for arms, 64 per cent for green issues, 58 per cent for human rights and 40 per cent for political donations with its Environmental trust.

Plan to link Provident funds

FRIENDS Provident has told 1.5 million policyholders this week that it is applying to the High Court for permission to merge its main with-profits fund with a weaker one, the UKP fund (Sara McConnell writes).

The funds have been kept separate ever since the merger in 1986 between Friends Provident and UK Provident, which had run into financial difficulties. There were fears that merging the two funds at the same time as the companies could penalise policyholders in the main fund by dragging down its performance. Since 1988, the UKP fund has been "ring-fenced" and closed to new business.

Graham Aslet, Friends Provident's actuary and general manager, said a merger would benefit all policyholders. It would "clearly be a good thing" for UKP policyholders, who are in a declining fund. Because no new money is coming in, it has to invest more cautiously, with a larger proportion in fixed-interest securities, to cover its liabilities. It could also have to sell illiquid assets such as property at a loss.

But there would also be "slight benefits" for policyholders in the main fund, mainly because they would benefit from reduced administration and overhead costs. This should mean more profit for policyholders.

There will be no bonus to policyholders and they will not be called upon to vote or take any other action. The application will be heard in the High Court in London on November 8.

BRIEFINGS

People saving to buy a new home are being offered a savings account from the Alliance & Leicester building society. The KeySaver account will pay 0.5 per cent gross, 0.37 per cent net on balances of between £10 and £500, 4.25 per cent gross, 3.19 per cent net on balances of £500 or more, and 4.65 per cent gross, 3.49 per cent net on the maximum £10,000. Savers will get a bonus of 1 per cent gross on total balance when they have taken out an Alliance & Leicester mortgage and a £50 valuation discount voucher. They will also get DIY and home discount vouchers.

☐ The shares of food companies were popular with customers of Fidelity Brokerage, Fidelity's execution only stockbroking service, last month as fears of VAT on food and a supermarket price war depressed prices. Sainsbury, Tesco, the Argyll Group and Asda all feature strongly on the "buy" list. Among the shares being sold most heavily by Fidelity customers were BT shares, British Aerospace Mirror Group Newspapers and Forte.

☐ BNP, the mortgage arm of the Banque Nationale de Paris, is offering loans fixed for three years at 6.9 per cent (APR 7.8 per cent). There is also a four year fixed rate of 7.5 per cent (APR 8.1 per cent)

☐ Ski insurance rates are being held at last year's levels by Columbus Travel Insurance. Eight-day European cover costs £20 per person, while worldwide cover costs £45 for up to 15 days. The policy includes £1 million of medical and repatriation expenses and up to £25,000 of personal accident cover, £300 for own ski equipment and up to £300 for piste closure outside the UK.

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Drawing a fine line on shock advertising

Critical illness insurance offers a challenging opportunity to advertisers, reports **Robin Hunt**

Anyone passing a bus stop at the moment cannot have failed to feel a tremor of angst at seeing the new poster advertisement for Barclays Life Critical Illness insurance.

It is emotive, to say the least. "If you suffer a critical illness, how long will your family survive?" it asks. The poster's image — money on a drip feed — hammers home the point that illness can be a huge financial strain at any time of life; a strain that is as debilitating as the illness itself.

The theory of "critical illness" insurance is different from life insurance or health insurance. Critical illness insurance pays out during life, rather than after death. Malcolm Oliver, Barclays Life marketing director, says: "Times have changed. Two hundred years ago, if you got cancer or some other serious illness, you died. Now you don't."

But less than 1 per cent of the population have a critical illness insurance policy. In advertising terms, it is a grossly underdeveloped market. "To get away from the inertia in the market, you have to do something dramatic," says Shane Campbell, account director of Generator Partnership, the advertising agency. "Our brief was to create a nationwide impact for a new product area. We had to shift perceptions."

Most advertising agencies' whose work uses death or the possibility of poverty as a *leitmotiv* have tended to be working on anti-drink driving campaigns or similiar public service initiatives.

The Barclays Life campaign subverts the normal imagery of pension schemes: the leafy retirement homes, exotic holidays and days of luxury in old age.

"A lot of people simply do not consider that illness or serious injury will happen to them," says Mr Campbell. "It will always be someone else. This campaign is trying to get at people's indifference to *mañana*. The world is changing. What is the point of having life insurance if you have no dependents, for example?"

The nature of society *has* changed: advances in medical science have improved our chances of surviving critical illness. But do we need to have this point made quite so obviously? "This is an area where you can't pussyfoot," says Mr Campbell. "It may look harrowing but it is necessary to get the message across."

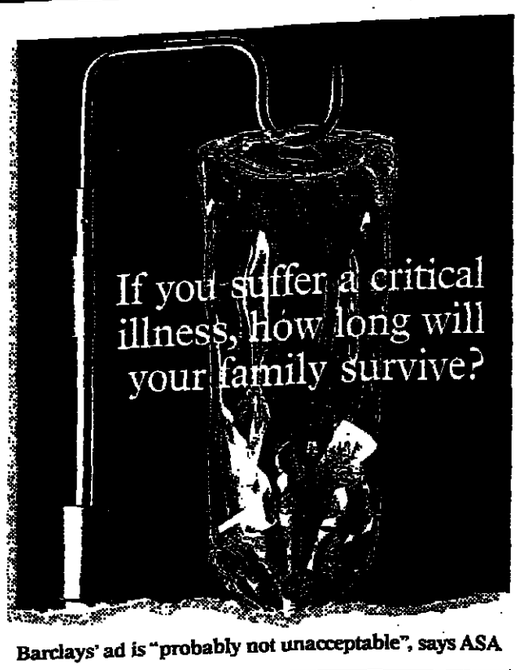
His client takes a more sober approach: "The issue — the conundrum — is how to make an impact," says Mr Oliver. "We have to take a middle path on grounds of honesty, legality and good taste."

In the end, there is always the Advertising Standards Authority to check the copy, Mr Campbell says. In fact his client always sends his advertisements to the ASA as a matter of principle. The ASA has strict guidelines on fear and distress.

The code states: "Without good reason, no advertisement should play on fear or excite distress." When an appeal to fear is properly made, "the fear evoked should not be disproportionate to the risk addressed". Finally, the code states: "An advertisement should excite distress only in circumstances in which the seriousness and importance of the subject matter unarguably warrants such an approach. Distress should never be occasioned merely in pursuit of an attempt to attract attention, or to shock."

Caroline Crawford, the ASA spokesman, says the Barclays advertisement "is probably not unacceptable".

"It is basically saying 'If you have an accident, you should have thought about insurance to cover you'. The sort of advert that is unacceptable is when a company exaggerates statistics on accidents, when it says nine out of ten people are likely to be knocked down by a bus tomorrow."



Barclays' ad is "probably not unacceptable", says ASA

Cut cost of holiday cover

Bargain hunters can find cheap premiums says Richard Milner

HOLIDAY insurance can be expensive. A family of four on holiday in Europe can pay £100, with no half price reductions for children. Travel firms get commissions of 60 per cent or more on insurance they sell, which help to offset the impact of holiday discounts.

One of Britain's most economic holiday insurers has recently stopped dealing with members of the public. Insurance Development Services International used to offer cover to trade and public, at £15.17 each or £37.93 for two adults and however many children. But, from September 1, the company — abbreviated to International Development Services — has been selling exclusively to the trade.

"Travel agents made the most tremendous fuss," IDSI's former chief executive Mike Escott reports. "They said there was a conflict of interest." His interpretation of this conflict was that the interest of travel agents in maximising their profits, conflicted with that of their holidaymakers. Mr Escott decided to set up a new company, Club Direct to sell, more cheaply than before, to groups and individuals.

"IDS deals with the travel trade," says managing director John Bibby.

"Club Direct is a separate company, which deals with the public." Insurance Broking Services provides exactly the same holiday policy to both companies. But trade clients will raise the premiums to holidaymakers.

Early this year, the Consumers' Association criticised travel companies for suggesting that people had to buy insurance — preferably their own high-priced version — when they booked holidays. It objected that this stopped the so-called "captive" customers from shopping around. "What the big travel multiples are doing is trying to recover their lost trading margins through the insurance premiums," said Mr Escott. "As the man from the OFT (Office of Fair Trading) said, it's like selling paint cheap at B & Q provided you buy their paint brushes at inflated prices."

Club Direct aims to cut through the intermediaries. Its European rate for members of groups such as Rutland Cricket Club has been cut to £14.22, the premium for individuals to £12.80. The family rate, for two adults and two or more children holidaying in Europe, is — at £32 — two-and-a-half times the individual rate.

It adds up to a powerful challenge to major travel agencies already promoting discounts on next year's summer holidays. And already under pressure from the OFT and Advertising Standards Authority not to make these price reductions conditional on buying their over-priced insurance.



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TSB Trustcard	1.84%	22.9%	23.4%	£291
Midland Access*	1.65%	23.1%	25.0%	£298
Barclays VISA**	1.65%	22.9%	24.8%	£288
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BANKS						
Ordinary Dep A/c:						
Typical	0.38	0.38	0.30	1,000	7 day	——
Fixed Term Deposits:						
Barclays	3.75	3.75	3.00	25,000-50,000	1 mth	071-626 1567
"	3.61	3.61	2.88	25,000-50,000	3 mth	071-626 1567
Lloyds	3.14	3.14	2.51	10,000-no max	1 mth	Local Bmch
"	3.32	3.32	2.66	10,000-no max	6 mth	Local Bmch
Midland	3.70	3.70	2.96	10,000-100,000	1 mth	0742 528655
" " "	3.80	3.80	3.04	10,000-100,000	3 mth	0742 528655
NatWest	3.38	3.38	2.70	25,000-50,000	1 mth	071-726 1000
" " "	3.38	3.38	2.70	25,000-50,000	3 mth	071-726 1000
HIGH INTEREST CHEQUE ACCOUNTS						
Bank of Scotland MMC	3.26	3.31	2.65	2,500‡	none	031-442 7777
Barclays Prime a/c	1.88	1.88	1.50	2,500‡	none	0604 252891
Co-operative Ultra	0.38	0.38	0.30	500‡	none	071 626 6543
Citibank	3.75	3.82	3.06	2,000‡	none	0800 555884
Lloyds HICA	0.38	0.38	0.30	10,000	none	0272 433372
Midland HICA	1.50	1.50	1.20	2,000‡	none	0742 528655
NatWest Special Reserve	1.13	1.13	0.90	500‡	none	0800 200 400
Royal Bank of Scot Presn A/c	1.50	1.51	1.21	2,000‡	none	031-556 8555
TSB Bank Inist Chque Acct	1.88	1.88	1.50	2,000‡	none	071-600 6000
BUILDING SOCIETIES						
Ordinary Share A/c	0.75	0.75	0.60	50+	none	——
Best buy — largest socs:						
Bristol & West	5.44	5.44	4.35	50,000 min	Postal	——
Birmingham Mid	5.51	5.70	4.41	100,000 min	Postal	——
Bristol & West	4.73	4.73	3.78	50,000 min	30 day	——
Woolwich	5.81	5.81	4.65	50,000 min	90 day	——
Leeds	5.48	5.48	4.38	100,000 min	1 year	——
Best buy — all socs:						
Bristol & West	5.36	5.36	4.29	25,000 min	Postal	——
North of England	5.63	5.63	4.50	25,000 min	30 day	——
St Pancras	5.59	5.59	4.47	25,000 min	60 day	——
National Count	5.85	5.85	4.68	50,000 min	90 day	——
Universal	6.26	6.26	5.01	50,000 min	1 year	——
NATIONAL SAVINGS						
Ordinary A/c*	3.75	2.81	2.25	500-10,000	8 day	041-649-4555
Investment A/c*	6.25	4.69	3.75	20-24,999	1 mth	041-649-4555
Income Bond*	7.00	5.25	4.20	2,000-24,999	3 mth	0253 766151
65t Index Lnkd†*	3.25	3.25	3.25	100-10,000	8 day	091-386 4900
40th Issue Cert*	5.75	5.75	5.75	100-10,000	8 day	091-386 4900
Yearly Plan†	5.75	5.75	5.75	20-400/mth	14 day	091-386 4900
Children's Bond	7.65	7.65	7.65	25-1,000		
Gen Ext Rate†	3.75	3.75	3.75			
Capital Bond*	7.75	5.81	4.65	100-250,000	8 days	041-649-4555
1st Option Bond*	4.75	4.75	3.80	1,000-250,000		

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Personal Loan	28%	Greek Drachmas:	349.00
Credit Card	25 - 27%	Italian Lire:	2385.00

TESSA	CAR (%)	£3,000 vat 1 year on	Transfer penalty	Minimum investmt	Telephone number
Hinckley & Rgby	8.05	£3,241.50	90 days loss	£25	0455 251234
Dunfermline	8.00	£3,240.00	1mths notice+loss	£3,000	0383 721621
St Pancras	8.00	£3,240.00	£25+30days notice	£10	071 7942331
National Cnty	7.90	£3,237.00	90 days loss	£3,000	0372 742211
Dudley	7.87	£3,236.10	paid up shore a/c	£10	0384 231414

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Pittance pension needs top-up

BY SARA MCCONNELL
PERSONAL FINANCE CORRESPONDENT

RETIRED people are never likely to be able to live reasonably on a basic state pension and those who do not make their own pension arrangements while still working have little hope of enjoying a financially secure retirement, according to the *Which? Guide to an Active Retirement*.

The guide, issued this week, says: "The state retirement pension on its own does not provide a reasonable income and, whatever the political developments, it is difficult to see how this could be reversed by the time you retire." It points to forecasts that by 2030, there will be 2.4 people of working age to each person over state pension age, against 3.3 now.

Since April 1993, the full basic state pension has been £56.10 a week for a single person. A couple gets £89.80 a week but if both husband and wife have paid enough National Insurance contributions, each receives £56.10. They may also qualify for some state earnings related pension (Serps). In today's money, the maximum pension that men of 65 and women of 60 retiring in the 1995-6 tax year could expect from Serps is £77 a week. Serps pensions rise each year in line with inflation.

State provision should be supplemented either by a personal pension, or by a company scheme, to which both employer and employee contribute.

Those who contract out of Serps use a personal pension to receive contributions from the social security department. Regulators emphasise that people in company schemes should not normally switch into personal pensions because the benefits are not generally as good and employers are unlikely to contribute to employees' personal pensions.

Cash for victims of holiday crime

Criminal injuries compensation schemes exist in a surprising number of popular tourist destinations, writes **Nicola Cole**

Attacks on tourists abroad have raised questions about protection for leisure and business travellers.

This has become an important issue following the tragedy of Gary Colley, the Briton who was shot dead while resting with his girlfriend Margaret Jagger in a northern Florida lay-by. He was the ninth tourist murdered in the state during the past year.

Attention has understandably centred on whether British holidaymakers — about 800,000 visit Florida annually — receive sufficient advice about risks and safeguards, such as route-mapping, and using designated accommodation. Little attention has been given to the financial consequences for victims and their partners or relatives.

No financial settlement will comfort Ms Jagger at this stage, but it will be moderately reassuring for future travellers, and many who advise them, that criminal injuries compensation schemes operate in many countries popular with tourists. As well as the USA, these include France, Spain, Germany, Austria, Sweden and Holland. The Irish Republic, Jersey, Hong Kong, Australia and New Zealand also have schemes.

These parallel, but by no means replicate, the two UK schemes — one for England, Wales and Scotland, the other covering Northern Ireland. The UK mainland Criminal Injuries Compensation Board received 66,000 applications last year and paid out £152.2 million in 59,000 cases. A White Paper expected shortly will formalise proposals for a system of tariff payments for particular injuries.

In the US, a foreign national can file for official recompense only if the victim compensation programme of the state where they visit or live is open to everyone, regardless of their origins, as in Britain. Most states, such as Florida, New York and Texas, do not discriminate, and thus qualify for federal funding of at least 30 per cent of their budgets under the Victims of Crimes Act, passed in the mid-1980s.

Florida's Victims of Crime Compensation Bureau handles up to 600 applications a month, paying out at least $10 million annually. It makes awards in circumstances including death, physical injury and emotional trauma.

Payments cover contingencies including medical treatment, "economic" loss (inability to work for an income) and deprivation of support (for a partner/spouse). Awards do not duplicate insurance payments.

Florida's bureau distributes application forms in hospitals, medical and law enforcement centres, and operates a free call line for enquiries. It is deliberately framed to be "user-friendly" and to avoid the need for lawyers where possible. "They are probably the least-used option," said Meg Bates, the director responsible for victim services under the Florida scheme. US schemes are represented by the 52-member National Association of Crime Victim Compensation Boards, based in Alexandria, Virginia, tel: 0101 703 370 2996.



The murder of Gary Colley when on holiday in Florida with Margaret Jagger has intensified fears for travellers

In Australia, victims gain settlements through Crimes Compensation Tribunals functioning on a state-by-state basis under federal law.

Under European Community law, an EC citizen can claim damages from member-states which operate criminal injury compensation schemes.

The Automobile Association, whose Legal Services' foreign operations department recovered a record £761,598 for about 160 holiday and business travellers in 1992, says that gaining recompense is rarely automatic, even in the supposedly harmonised EC. Peter Denison, head of AA Legal Services' foreign operations, said: "These criminal injuries compensation awards are by no means generous and the process of claiming damages is often lengthy."

Not until last year, for example, did a British woman injured during a 1990 bomb explosion in Holland receive £3,000 for her injuries. An earlier case, involving a British couple blasted by a shotgun by two French thieves, took five years to resolve before the couple were awarded £63,000.

Mr Denison says that compensation schemes nonetheless "offer the victims of crime abroad some chance of recompense, particularly if the injuries are not covered by insurance". Standard travel policies provide a maximum £15,000 personal accident benefit in the specific event of death, permanent total disablement and the loss of limbs or sight.

The precedent for compensation schemes paying out to citizens of other EC countries was set by the European Court of Justice in a 1989 test case where Ian Cowan, a Sussex accountant, proved under the EEC Treaty that he could not be discriminated against on nationality grounds.

Insurer DAS Legal Expenses, of Bristol, points out that claimants' needs can include interpretation of liability, appropriate compensation sums and language barriers. One welcome recent addition is a free advice scheme which provides pre-travel guidance and specialist legal contacts. Devised by Euro-MP Margaret Daly, it can be reached through Bristol Law Society on 0272 276460.

Sting in the tail of home loan deals

Building societies are continuing to tempt borrowers with offers of cheap loans, particularly for first time buyers. Discounts on variable rates for the first years of the loan are becoming more popular as some societies' enthusiam for fixed rate loans starts to trouble the regulators.

However, on both discounted and fixed rate loans, borrowers are almost certain to incur high costs if they redeem their loan early. In the table, right, a penalty of between two and six months' gross interest can be payable. This should be enough to keep borrowers loyal. And it looks as if these ties may be necessary.

A report published today, *Building Society Consolidation: the views of the members*, from NOP, reveals that 62 per cent of building society customers, if offered some free shares, would support a takeover. Even without a bribe, 40 per cent said they would probably be in favour.

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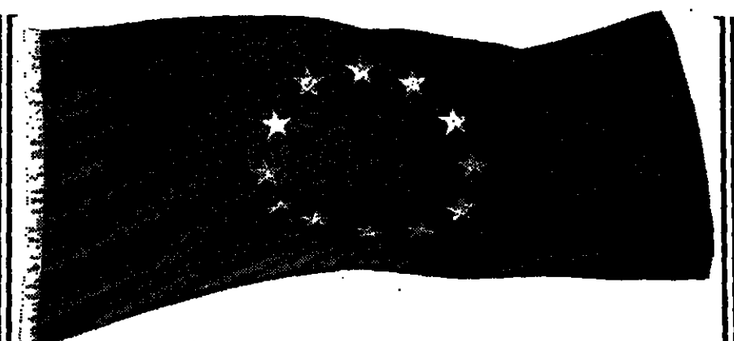
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From Mr David Sharp

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I am not too surprised at this — I assume, sadly, that the bank has sold a list of its private customers, including me, to people who are keen to send me mail. But:

a) I see that the Driving Licence Centre in Swansea quotes the same number on my licence.

b) My wife, whose bank account is quite separate from mine, also receives mail marked with the same number.

This leads me to ask: what is the source and significance of this number, and to how many people does one number relate? I refrain from quoting the number for fear that Big Brother, or another wicked person is watching me, but when I spoke to my bank about this, none of the staff was able to explain it — though they could tell me that their own numbers were different from mine.

I wonder whether any of your readers can answer my queries, or whether the bank official who gave instructions for this number to be put on the address slip of my cheque book could explain his purpose and the use to which I can put it.

If none can, I shall hope that when he takes up his post in January the newly appointed chief executive of Barclays may find the answers: but before the year's end I hope that the Minister of Transport and the Director of MI6, with their new public faces, will explain their own involvement in this numbers game.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID SHARP,
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From Mrs J. G Jolliffe

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J.G.JOLLIFFE,
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Paying the premium on a stolen car

From Mr R. R. E. Potter

Sir, Recent letters in your columns about insurance companies prompt me to cite this example. Some months ago a car belonging to my daughter was stolen from outside her house in Birmingham.

As a doctor in daily need of her car, she was surprised when her insurers said she would have to wait six weeks for settlement.

To her annoyance, they managed, by all kinds of procrastination, to drag this out to three months and then only as a result of lengthy, rather unpleasant phone calls, would they pay a penny.

My daughter was then appalled to find that there would be no refund, or no extension of the period of insurance, to cover the three months lost. A full premium (no mean sum for comprehensive cover in Birmingham) had to be paid for a quarter of a year, when no cover was provided at all.

Surely this is another example of the way insurance companies obtain money, perhaps legally but to my mind immorally, which gives them such a bad image.

If any of your readers know of a way round this difficulty, I would welcome advice.

Yours faithfully,
R. R. E. POTTER
8, Mithras Close
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Maturity brings responsibility

From Mr Peter J. Burns

Sir, I have recently had some life insurance policies reach maturity. These policies were originally taken out as an endowment policy with a mortgage in 1972. When it became necessary to increase the mortgage for a house extension, additional life policies were added. Some ten years ago, this property was sold, and a new mortgage and life policy was obtained, and as the surrender value of the original life policies was small, it was decided to continue with monthly premiums.

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Perhaps I have missed the small print somewhere on the policy advising that it is up to the individual to make the final claim when the policy reaches maturity.

I have telephoned the company but as yet I have not received any communication explaining why this has happened, or indeed if this is the normal procedure.

Yours faithfully,
P. J. BURNS,
Warwick Park,
Tunbridge Wells,
Kent.

Pensioners overseas deserve better treatment

From Mr B. D. Roden

Sir, Your article ("Expats demand fair play", September 18), stirs memories of my parents' generation in the Colonial Service, who had to fight long and hard, but successfully, for increases in their pension to be paid by the Overseas Development Administration. My mother's pension is paid in two parts, the basic pension from the Tanzanian government (£314 pa) and ODA top-up (£5,258).

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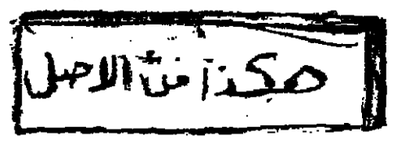
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752	474	HSBC HK	714	-1	19.0	3.3	17.1
391	243	Hambros	382	-2	14.0	4.6	17.6
428	313	Joseph (L)	423		16.6	4.9	
155	96	King Shaxson	143		9.0	7.0	
508	312	Kleinwort Ben	469		16.0	4.1	17.0
591	492	Lloyds	560	+6	16.4	4.1	16.0
118	63	Lon Scot Bk	93	+2	3.0	4.0	18.4
542	322	Nat Aust Bk	542	+10		2.6	19.2
541	398	Nat West	541	+16	17.5	4.0	32.6
460	270	Provident	424	-2	11.4	3.4	18.4
54	39	Rea Bros	52		0.5	1.2	55.3
358	207	Ryl Bk Scot	346	+4	8.6	3.2	
1335	467½	Schroders	1293			1.1	25.7
999	576	Stand Chart	996	+5	20.0	2.5	
227	145½	TSB	225	-1	6.4	3.6	
190	78	Union Disc	175				
847	529	Warburg SG	840	+5		2.6	21.2
8575	4843½	Wells Fargo	8400	-12½		1.6	
187	121	Westpac	166	-4		4.2	
313	188	Wintrust	312		9.3	3.7	29.0

BREWERIES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
646	517	Allied-Lyons	574	+3	...	4.5	15.6
647	441	Bass	479	+2	16.9	4.9	10.4
299	189	Boddington	264	-6	7.3	3.4	15.6
459	362	Bulmer (HP)	448	..	..	2.6	19.6
187	129	Burtonwd Brw	153	..	4.7	3.9	12.5
130	75	Eldridge P 'A'	127	-1	..	3.2	35.6
68½	50	Fosters Brewing	61½	..	..	4.3	..
435	338	Fullr Sm 'A'	426	..	..	2.2	18.5
480	385	Grand Met	420	-6	12.3	3.7	13.9
427	347	Greenalls Grp	373	-4	11.7	3.9	12.4
572	505	Greene King	560	..	..	2.7	15.6
521	402	Guinness	409	-2	..	3.6	15.3
281	230	Hardy Hansn	260	..	7.9	3.8	14.4
125	105	Heavitree	120	..	3.0	3.2	28.6
353	255	Highland Distl	329	-5	6.0	2.2	21.9
3138	2538	Holt J	3038	..	41.0	1.7	14.8
80	73	Hoskins Brew	72	..	..	..	51.8
323	250	Invrgordn Dist	295	-2	..	3.0	16.6
180	136	Macallan-Glen	139	..	0.4	0.8	30.5
465	375	Macdn Martn 'A'	390	..	..	2.6	18.6
225	164	Mansfield	225	..	..	2.1	16.1
299	231	Mrston Thmp	280	-2	..	2.4	16.9
523	328½	Mathew Clark	523	+25	18.0	4.8	15.3
300	253	Mrrydwn W	263	..	7.0	3.3	20.6
545	455	Morland	523	..	8.4	2.0	20.4
12	6½	Paramount	11	..	..	2.1	∞
196	145	Regent Inns	196	..	4.5	2.9	∞
1083	753	SA Breweries	1085	..	..	2.5	18.4
475	393	Scot & New	466	-1	..	4.5	14.5
225	181	Tnton Cider	196	-4	6.0	3.6	16.0
256	213	Vaux Group	249	..	9.3	4.7	17.2
342	225	Wetherspoon JD	342	..	..	1.8	27.6
574½	435	Whitbread 'A'	523	-4	..	4.2	14.1
1425	850	-do- 'B'	1200	..	..	1.8	30.1
613	463	Wolvrhmptn D	486	-11	11.4	2.9	13.7
515	475	Young 'A'	478	..	14.5	3.8	19.8

BUILDING, ROADS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
125	73	Abbey	125	...	...	1.9	20.5
25½	12½	Albrighton	20				
148	87	Allen	147	+9	...	4.3	33.3
120	65	Amec	120	...	3.0	...	21.9
12	4	Anglia Sec	7½				
312	155	Ashtead	312	+1	4.5	1.8	31.9
142	101	Attwoods	128	...	5.0	4.9	18.5
276	180	BPB Ind	264	-4	...	3.6	45.4
91	57	Baggeridge Brk	89	-1	3.1	4.4	29.9
31	18	Bailey (Ben) Con	27	...	0.5	2.6	...
108	74	Barcom	102	-1	1.2	1.5	18.5
56½	32½	Bardon	44	-1	2.0	5.7	21.7
195	94	Barratt Devs	177	-1	4.0	2.8	∞
453	305	Bellway	453	...	...	3.3	26.2
43	15	Bellwinch	41	...	...	1.7	27.3
449	295½	Berkeley Gp	435	...	...	0.6	4.1
116	45	Bett Bros	99	-2	...	...	...
63	36	Blockleys	51	...	1.0	2.5	56.3
288	189	Blue Circle	283	+4	...	5.0	...
285	230	Boot (Henry)	270	...	5.9	2.7	15.1
106	78	Breedon PLC	87	...	4.6	6.6	21.4
121	82	Br Dredging	119	...	5.2	5.6	25.8
86	45	Brit Fitngs	83	...	1.5	2.3	...
151	99	Bryant	134	-1	...	4.5	27.0
113	75	CALA	113	...	2.3	2.5	∞
310	200	CRH	306	-2	...	2.8	16.8
43	18	Cakebread Rby	33				
46	23	Costain	37				
148	86½	Countryside	147	...	...	3.5	38.8
94	38	Crest Nicholson	92	...	0.0	...	
112	27	Cussins	103	...	...	1.2	...
7½	1½	Dunton	5½	...			
25	15	Edmond Hldgs	19½	...	0.5	...	
275	178	Epwin	272	...	6.8	3.1	23.0
59	32	Erith	57	...	0.3	0.8	...
483	252	Eve Group	483	...	...	2.6	17.5
6½	3½	Explaura	4				
140	97	Freeman Gp	130	...	...	4.8	20.7
50	38	Galliford	41	...	7.0	3.1	∞
78	52	Gibbs & Dandy	72	...	...	1.7	...
923	695	Gleeson (MJ)	923	...	12.7	1.7	15.0
160	90	Hewden-Stuart	160	+1	...	2.5	28.4
51	28	Hewetson	46	...	...	3.4	34.0
357	186	Heywd Wim	357	+12	12.5	4.4	...
119	37	Higgs & Hill	110	+4	2.5	2.9	...
38	26	How Gp	29				
21	15	Howard Hldgs	21	...	0.5	3.0	...
78	39	Ibstock Johnsen	67	-1	1.0	1.9	...
19½	12½	Jarvis	18½				
316	196	Laing (J)	308	...	9.0	3.7	12.3
127½	103	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	123	...	...	6.5	...
95	55	Ln Clydeside	95	...	4.5	5.9	35.8
23	10½	Lovell (YJ)	18½	...	...	...	8.4
350	240	Manders	323	...	9.0	3.5	19.8
168	93	Marley	157½	...	4.2	3.3	46.2
150	61	Marshalls	113	...	...	4.4	77.8
180	122	Maunders (J)	178	...	4.9	3.5	16.3
217	96	McAlpine (A)	216	...	6.5	3.8	37.4
47	23	McCarthy & S	43	+1	0.5	...	
438	272	Meyer Int	433	...	...	2.9	43.4
129	62	Mowlem (J)	109	...	4.0	4.6	...
156	51	NSM	154	-1	...	...	
53	48	Needler	48	...	...	3.7	22.4
171	106	Newman Tnks	147	...	...	...	19.6
300	197	Persimmon	292	...	8.6	3.7	29.8
26	10	Phoenix Timber	11½	...			
1625	1237½	Pochins	1525	...	29.0	2.4	∞
163	80	Prowting	162	...	3.4	2.6	...
6½	1½	Quiligotti	2½				
838	555	RMC Gp	823	+6	...	3.0	30.9
117	75½	Raine Ind	83½	...	3.0	4.5	∞
36	18	Ransom	20				
575	402	Redland	542	-2	25.0	5.8	31.5
80	64	Roskel	71	...	4.3	7.7	10.3
296	207	Rugby Group	277	-4	6.4	2.9	21.2
62	23	Svrfld-Rvrs	62	+2	...	0.5	...
132	68	Sharpe & Fisher	130	...	...	3.8	22.6
238	86½	Sheffield Insl	232	...	...	2.9	50.9
162	82	Sheriff Hldgs	167	...	...	1.5	24.9
95	66	Shorco	84	...	...	7.7	19.1
240	196	Smart (J)	225	...	8.5	4.7	10.2
6½	2½	Starmin	3				
156	100	Tarmac	143	+4	5.5	4.8	...
194	137	Tay Homes	173	...	5.8	4.2	11.1
139	63	Taylor Woodrw	126	...	1.0	1.0	...
628	433	Tilbury Dougls	605	...	33.0	6.8	19.7
39	19	Torex Hire	37	...	...	1.4	...
277	168	Travis Perkins	270	...	8.0	3.7	47.5
40	28	Try Group	30	+1	1.0	4.2	8.5
28	25	Tudor	25	...	...	1.3	...
89	41	Vibroplant	89	+1	2.5	3.5	32.0
65	20	Ward Hldgs	44				
36	25	Waterhouse	33				
475	360	Watts Blake	425	...	...	3.5	18.3
26	8	Wescol	23				
167	90	Westbury	104	...	5.0	3.8	25.6
12	4½	West Scaffold	7½				
3½	3	Wiggins	3½				
469	371	Wilson Bowdn	452	-1	8.7	2.4	31.0
205	147	Wilson (C)	188	...	3.9	2.6	32.6
194	104	Wimpey G	175	...	...	3.8	...
47	25	YRM	36	...	0.5	1.7	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
675	463	ADT	570	-44	12.0	6.6	4.2
228	198	Adam & Harvey	228	...	...	5.8	9.3
92	56	Air London	75	...	2.0	5.3	...
56	37	African Lakes	47	...	...	6.5	18.3
178	93	Auto Sec	102	-30	...	3.1	5.3
138	84	BET Ord	103	+2	4.9	5.9	...
103	41	BNB Res	103	...	8.0	3.2	17.0
318	258	BPP	309	...	8.0	4.6	14.8
285	195	Barbour Index	217	-2	0.7	...	
27	15	Boustead	27	...	4.7	2.4	17.7
265	184	Brit Data Mgt	243	...	...	1.3	19.9
36	11	Broadcastle	25				
73	54	Brooks Service	64	...	...	3.5	17.7
109	86	CRT Gp	100	...	...	1.4	28.9
193	139½	Capita Group	185	...	...	2.3	16.5
45	31	Caskel Plc	43				
55	18½	Chiltern Capital	22				
51	26	Christie	50	...	...	1.7	22.1
370	228	Chubb Sec	356	...	...	2.1	22.5
100	18	Comaca	90				
34	6½	Corp Services	33	+1½			
66	20	Coutts Cnslg	66	+6			
114	50	Dart	114	+11	3.3	3.6	15.5
256	198	Davis Service	225	-1	...	4.4	16.9
104	85	EW Facia	95	...	4.3	5.7	10.9
32	11	Gardiner	31	...	0.6	...	21.5
261	215	Hays	261	+2	5.3	2.5	∞
248	174	Hogg Robinsn	236	...	...	3.5	17.2
70	35	Holmes Protectn	39	...	...	...	2.4
213	127	Hulch Whamp	213	+4	...	2.3	17.8
2062½	975	ISS B DKr	1987½	...	...	5.2	2.7
637	511	Inchcape	533	-1	...	3.3	17.2
870	669	Johnson Clean	869	...	25.7	3.7	19.0
12	2½	Lep	10				
288	173	Mitie Gp	279	...	3.5	1.6	21.7
1187	893	Manpower	1026	-8	...	...	
62	40½	Michael Page	60	...	1.8	3.8	25.5
279	125	Penna	128	...	...	9.6	4.8
4½	2	Prime People	2½				
142	74	Proudfoot Alex	85	-2	...	...	4.7
423	337	RCO	387	...	12.8	4.5	13.3
118	86	REA	87	...	4.0	...	
108	43	Reed Executive	108	...	...	5.0	24.3
156	110	Reliance Sec	112	+3	2.3	1.3	26.9
238	178	Rentokil	216	+1	...	3.6	14.2
283	220	Rolfe & Nolan	251	-1	...	3.8	19.3
399	334	Salvesen (C)	352	-1	...	2.7	11.8
39	26	Scott Pickford	37				
10	5	Select Appt	9½				
1178	696	Serco Gp	1178	+15	14.0	1.5	32.6
154	124	Sherwd Cmpt	148	...	...	5.9	4.3
130	90	Sketchley	107	...	...	3.5	24.5
355	310	Warner Howrd	344	...	6.5	2.4	19.0
45	27	Welpac	32				
28½	14	Wills Gp	24½	...	0.4	2.0	∞

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
248	210	Allied Colloids	247	...	...	2.2	21.7
861	613	Amersham	855	...	...	2.0	29.6
7	1½	Anglo Utd	2				
£107¼	8325	BASF DM	£107¼	...	...	6.2	
297	199	BTP	265	...	...	4.1	19.6
£120½	£101½	Bayer DM50	£120½	...	...	4.3	...
178	134	Blagden	163	-2	9.5	...	17.6
165	93	Brent Chems	115	-1	...	8.0	10.5
530	345	Br Bio-Tech	386				
29	12	Caird Gp	12½			13.2	34.7
163	126	Canning (W)	163	+5	7.2	5.6	16.7
608	488	Courtaulds	490	...	...	3.6	13.0
335	228	Croda	331	...	...	2.9	19.0
149	121	Doeflex	127	...	4.6	4.6	9.6
225	175	Ellis & Everard	218	...	...	4.0	20.8
36½	15½	Euro Colour	35	...	0.8	2.9	21.4
342	259	Halstead (J)	341	...	6.5	2.4	∞
241	167	Hickson	192	-3	...	5.5	16.0
£115	8850	Hoechst	£115	...	...	3.2	...
229	195	Holliday Chem	225	...	...	2.1	20.7
740½	608	ICI	729	-6	...	4.7	...
688	576	Laporte	677	-11	19.5	3.6	18.7
230	181	Leigh	217	-3	...	4.5	20.9
97½	35	MTM	57				
1900	1462½	Norsk Hydro	1875	...	...	1.5	26.7
464	311	Paterson Zoch	461	...	11.4	3.1	19.9
420	310	-do- 'A'	419	...	11.4	3.4	18.1
246	221	Plysu	240	...	...	3.6	15.7
271	173	Porvair	271	...	3.6	1.6	29.2
71	35	Sutcliffe Speak	54				
455	412	Wardle Storeys	455	...	16.0	4.4	18.3
525	396	Wolstenhme R	525	...	17.0	4.0	18.0
						2.5	20.6
401	330	Yorks Chem	394	-1	5.9	3.0	15.0
300	239	Yule Catto	246	...	...	4.6	44.6
758	593	Zeneca	758	+10	...		

DRAPERY, STORES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
105	73	Alexon	66				
67	42	Amber Day	61	+2	3.1	6.4	16.7
162	257	Arcas Plc	160	+4	...	2.5	29.8
28	12	Ashley Group	14½				
119	69	Ashley (Laura)	97	+1	0.1	0.1	...
318	278	Aspires	316	...	5.1	2.0	21.0
150	94	Austin Reed	150	...	...	2.1	...
155	125	Beattie (J) 'A'	153	...	...	4.9	15.4
121	94	Bentalls	104	-1	1.9	2.3	...
275	202	Benerware	208	-3	...	1.2	34.9
46	22	Blacks Leis	46	+2	2.2	0.1	...
237	133	Body Shop	169	-3	...	1.3	21.8
16½	11	Brown & Jackson	12½	...	...	0.8	6.3
403	318	Brown (N)	403	+4	...	2.2	23.7
87½	64½	Burton	77½	+1	...	3.2	...
156	126	Cantors	155	...	4.0	3.2	∞
360	295	Church	348	...	12.5	4.5	31.0
116	97	Clinton Cards	105	...	4.2	3.2	19.0
275	212	Coats Viyella	275	-7	...	3.3	38.0
112	78	Colourvision	103	...	5.6	6.8	18.5
710	475½	Courts Furnish	710	+10	5.5	1.0	8.9
155	115	Crown Eyes	135	...	...	0.5	9.2
129	89	Dairy Farm Intl	121	+2	...	3.0	17.8
97	51½	Dewhirst (I)	87½	+½	1.0	1.5	26.8
251	199	Dixons Grp	274	+3	...	2.8	...
413	330	Dunhill	367	-2	8.1	2.8	14.3
21	8	ERA Gp	9				23.8
530	400	Elys (Wimbldn)	530	...	16.0	3.8	18.2
166	71	Essex Furn	162	...	...	2.1	27.4
273	203	Etam	258	...	6.9	3.4	23.5
606	494	Fine Art Dev	599	...	12.7	2.7	19.2
70	26	Fired Earth Tiles	68				
564	498	Forminster	568	...	14.0	3.1	10.3
160	24	French Conna	149	...	...	2.1	4.3
74	43	Gem SB	62	...	...	0.3	0.5
78	23	Goldsmiths Gp	69	...	...	...	...
4050	2600	GUS	3863	-12	...	1.4	30.4
2265	1563	-do- 'A'	2143	-10	...	2.6	16.8
40	25	Hampden Grp	25	...	...	5.0	12.4
77	30	Hartstone	65	-3	...	5.4	...
37	20	Helene Plc	27	...	2.0	9.5	12.5
74	36	Heritage	42				
74	35	Honeysuckle	69	-4	...	1.8	4.8
153	61	Jacques Vert	145	...	...	2.6	11.1
691	491	Kingfisher	664	-5	...	2.6	22.9
74	62	Leslie Wise Gp	68	...	4.0	7.4	14.0
695	496	Liberty	575	...	7.2	1.6	67.7
320	241	Lloyds Chem	281	-3	7.2	3.3	∞
160	120	MFI	144	...	...	3.3	30.3
402	311	Marks Spencer	400	+3	...	2.5	22.0
572	445	Menzies (John)	571	...	...	2.4	16.2
232	135	Moss Bros	232	+3	5.5	3.0	27.2
212	120½	Next	194	...	2.5	1.6	23.0
41	15	Oliver (G)	37	+1	...	...	...
303	197	Oriflame Intl	298	...	...	4.0	14.6
63	38½	Pentos	45	...	...	...	9.4
313	185	QS Hldgs	195	...	1.5	5.1	34 13.8
72	20½	Rhino Grp	41				
161	135	Sherwood Gp	154	...	...	2.1	13.9
119½	93	Sears	116	+½	...	3.8	...
41½	11	Signet Group	29				
438	400	Smith WH 'A'	459	-2	...	3.9	15.0
20	4½	Specialeyes	18				
220	176	Storehouse	211	+4	...	3.0	27.2
191	148	T & S Stores	155	...	5.9	4.8	11.5
160	71	Tie Rack	156	...	1.0	0.8	25.5
231	160	Time Products	230	...	7.5	4.1	19.6
128	63	Usher (Frank)	120	...	...	6.3	∞
45	27	Vival	36	...	1.0	3.5	11.1
40	34	Wensum	34	...	...	6.7	
119	76	Wickes	108	-1	...	0.2	49.0
78	45	Wid of Leather	68				
198	146	Wyevale	187	...	...	2.7	24.7
4	2½	Xtra-vision	3½				

ELECTRICALS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
187	134	ACT Group	176	-½	...	3.6	17.7
243	223	Acal	243	+3	...	3.2	16.9
162½	38	Acorn Comp	91	-2	...	...	46.1
480	385	Admiral	455	...	5.4	1.5	19.2
170	104	Alba	168	...	...	3.6	21.1
50	19½	Alphameric	46				
51	22	Amstrad	50	-½	0.5	1.3	∞
126	61	App Holo	71				
42	9½	Arlen	42	-1	...		
86	35½	Astec	80	-1	...	0.4	...
293	243	Beales Hunter	245	...	...	4.8	15.1
9	2	Bennett & Fount	2½	-½			
446	319	BICC	422	...	19.2	5.8	...
575	435	Blick	464	...	9.2	2.5	18.1
1700	925	Borland	1150				
371	274	Bowthorpe	360	...	6.3	2.2	23.4
446½	376	BT	446½	+7½	...	4.4	21.1
199½	150	BT P/P	198½	+9½	...	4.3	21.6
13½	9	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	12½	...	...	0.1	10.0
160	101	Burnfield	102	...	5.7	7.0	16.1
933	669	Cable Wireless	899	-14	...	2.1	23.5
26½	11½	Chloride	26				
273	220	CML Micro	271	...	...	2.2	19.7
115	74	Compur People	105	...	0.6	0.8	...
164	108½	Cray Elect	145	...	...	1.3	14.9
430	243	Crichley	429	...	...	1.8	∞
554	414	Delta	528	-4	...	3.3	22.1
360	205	Denmans El	359	...	...	2.1	15.3
630	395	Domino	450	-5	7.2	2.0	15.4
65	48	Dowding Mills	64	...	...	4.9	27.4
1105	865	Druck	1105	...	10.0	1.1	23.6
469	358	Electrocompnts	432	-2	...	2.3	17.6
580	470	El Data Prc	560	...	5.1	1.1	15.4
133	43	Electron House	129	...	2.6	2.5	28.3
30½	10½	Emess	23	...	0.1	0.5	...
620	442	Eurotherm	620	+5	8.0	1.6	28.2
172	108	FKI	168	-3½	...	2.2	24.6
465	340	Farnell Elect	456	...	...	1.7	24.1
91	33	Feedback	88	...	...	2.1	11.5
18	7½	Ferranti	8½				
274	101	First Tech	274	+1	...	0.5	22.8
270	81	Forward Gp	257	...	...	1.6	23.2
29	16	Forward Tech	19				
367½	264	GEC	365½	+3½	10.3	3.5	18.3
226	132	Graseby	187	...	...	7.3	39.3
14½	7½	Graystone	10	-½			
39	36	Hilliare	36	...	...	1.7	...
169	83	INSTEM	142	...	...	2.8	10.1
388	320	Jones Stroud	378	...	...	2.9	15.2
19	8	Kembrey	14	...	0.1	1.4	...
345	260	Kenwood App	345	+1	...	2.8	19.4
263	47	Kewill Sys	263	+1			
209	100	Kode	173	...	5.5	4.0	20.5
60	16	Laser-Scan	28				
365	122	LBMS	257	...	...	0.4	36.2
300	230	Lec Refrig	240	...	9.0	4.7	...
179	129	Life Sciences	141	...	3.5	3.1	15.3
290	164	Logica	259	+3	4.0	1.9	∞
55	44	LPA Ind	54	...	...	8.1	15.2
239	162	MR Data Mngmt	209	-9	5.1	3.2	∞
713	523	Macro 4	713	+3	...	3.1	21.7
243	175½	Memeler-Swa	241	...	...	1.9	21.3
3013	1448	Micro Focus	1450	-160	...	...	13.4
164	147	Microgen	164	...	7.2	5.5	11.2
34½	23½	Microvitec	32½				
529	357	Misys	524	+1	...	...	1.7 19.1
584	98	Mitel	230	-8			
138	108	MMT Compu	128	...	...	3.4	16.3
50½	16	Molynx	48	...	1.3	...	...
272	202	MTL Inst	253	...	...	1.8	19.1
165	105	Multitone Elect	129	-1	3.5	3.4	∞
236	116	Murray Enter	235	...	...	2.1	...
3206½	2612½	NYNEX	2975	...			
188	128	Neuronics	128	...	2.6	2.5	16.5
65	42	Newmark (L)	58				
240	58	Norbain	239	...	...	0.8	18.4
75	20	Northamber	62	...	0.6	1.2	...
15½	9	Oceonics	11				
285	195	Oxford Inst	281	...	4.5	2.0	19.3
83	48	P-E Intern'l	73				
81½	29	P & P	72	...	1.4	2.4	38.2
80	55	Peek	77	...	3.4	5.6	19.8
222	115	Pegasus	216	...	...	3.7	55.4
9500	9000	Philips Fn 4%	9500	...	...	6.1	...
1350	725	-do- Lmp nv	1325				
274	211	Phonelink	273	+10	...	1.8	23.0
290	171½	Pifco	285	...	...	1.9	23.1
280	151½	-do- 'A' Voting	275				
90	63	Plasmec	63	...	...	...	5.3
120	76	Pressac	107	...	2.4	2.8	21.6
136	81	Psion	128	+1	...	2.4	34.0
261	160	Racal Elect	228	-3	4.2	2.3	13.6
70	45	Radamec	56	-10	...	3.4	11.9
70	31	Radius	42	...	2.7	...	14.5
92	61	Real Time	63	...	...	6.0	12.9
35	18	Rivia	26	...	...	...	33.0
629	367	Sage Gp	456	...	9.0	2.5	14.6
348	232	Sanderson Elec	340	...	9.0	3.3	14.5
88	49	Scantronic	79	...	3.1	4.9	19.9
181	117	Scholes Grp	171	...	5.0	3.7	∞
375	270	Sema Gp	338	+1	2.8	1.0	27.4
42	26	Silverrmines	40	...	...	3.1	...
50	37	Soundtracks	47	...	...	5.9	15.9
2675	1737½	TDK	2275	...	...	1.4	25.7
27	4½	TDS Circuits	17				
198	80	Telemetrix	193	-2	0.8	0.5	31.8
1017	809	THORN EMI	954	-4	...	4.2	19.5
140	96	Thorpe FW	140	+7	2.6	2.4	∞
160	54	Total Systems	54	-1	3.0	6.9	9.6
513	372	Tunstall	513	+1	6.0	1.5	20.5
294	164	Unitech	283	...	...	2.7	67.0
11½	6	Verity	7½				
35	24	Vistec	29½	-1½	...	1.6	16.9
585	367	Vodafone	526	-6	...	1.7	23.8
473	368	Volex	460	...	17.8	4.9	18.7
26	11	Western Selectn	21				
290	223	Wholesale Figs	284	-3	11.7	5.1	30.2

ELECTRICITY

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
562	389	East Midlands	562	+7	...	4.3	10.5
581	390	Eastern Elect	580	+4	...	4.1	11.6
400	304	Hydro-Elect	396	+1	...	3.6	14.4
581	404	London Elect	581	+7	...	4.2	12.9
621	458	Manweb	620	+7	...	4.2	9.0
591	424½	Midlands Elec	586	+5	...	4.3	10.5
408	273	National Powr	405	...	...	3.3	12.0
625	440	Northern Elec	623	+5	...	4.3	9.0
206	100	Nthn Ireland	200	...	...	3.9	10.7
612	439	Norweb	612	+12	20.0	4.1	9.5
448	273	PowerGen	446	+2	...	2.9	11.8
400	285	Scottish Power	390	+2	...	3.6	14.5
634	436	Seeboard	633	+4	...	3.9	10.2
627	469	Sth Wales	625	+6	...	4.5	10.4
586	426	Sth Western	586	+8	...	4.3	9.3
592	406	Southern Elec	591	+6	...	4.1	10.8
610	455	Yorkshire Elec	609	+3	...	4.2	11.5

FINANCE, LAND

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
60½	50	Aitken Hume	56	..	..	1.0	2.2 11.9
125	47	BWD	119	..	..	3.4	18.6
101	26	Baltic Plc	97	..	..	1.3	..
550	413	Caledonia	544	..	..	3.4	20.2
1525	1075	Camellia	1500	..	..	2.4	5.6
316	243	Candover	314		10.2	4.1	22.2
154	71	Flextech	154			11.4	..
335	155	Govett	327	..	..	4.9	7.6
169	125	Ivory Sime	162	..	..	4.9	15.7
6½	3	LIT	4½				
12	11	Lightship	12				
240	154	Lon Forfaiting	229	..	8.4	4.6	16.7
67	47	Manakin	65	..	5.0	9.6	∞
12½	7½	Nat Home Loan	9½				
52	40	Newmarket	51				
341	246	Rathbone Brs	328	..	6.0	2.3	19.9
26	17	Rutland Tst	24½	..	..	4.1	14.5
340	251	S & U	333	..	10.0	3.8	12.3
83	48	Singer & Fried	81	..	..	4.6	..
975	713	Sotheby's	908	..	..	4.2	..
161	83	SIP Capital	161	+2	3.0	2.3	66.4

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2556½	1487½	Amer Express	2512½	-34½	..	4.9	24.5
1100	835	Henderson Ad	1063	-3	..	2.1	..
200	92	Invesco	180	..	..	3.3	9.8
244	164	Jardine Strat	234	..	..	..	
236	154	MAI	232	+1	6.4	3.7	∞
692	389	MAM	691	+6	15.0	2.7	17.3
970	633	M & G	961	+5	..	2.8	25.6
378	309	Smith New Ct	376	+2	..	2.0	5.7
81	55	Tm Hldgs	77	..	..	4.9	..

FOODS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
536½	456	AB Food	496	-3	14.0	3.5	11.4
77½	53	ASDA Group	57½	-½	1.6	3.5	13.8
305	170	Acatos & Hutch	280	+3	6.5	2.9	16.2
79	55	Albert Fisher	78	+1	3.7	6.0	13.0
407	285	Argyll	309½	+1½	..	4.4	11.4
174	117	Assoc Fisheries	159	..	..	6.3	3.3
238	160	Banks (S L)	225	..	9.0	5.0	10.0
402	310	Barr (AG)	325	-3	6.5	2.5	16.1
85	57	Benasnis Crop	63	..	..	5.7	14.2
141	112½	Berisford Intl	128				
455	357	Booker	395	-1	..	7.0	33.6
52	35	Borthwick	46	..	..	3.3	57.1
505	430	Brake Bros	475	-4	6.2	1.6	19.7
51	38	Budgen	44	..	..	2.8	11.4
503	407	Cadbury-Schw	464	-1	..	3.6	16.4
122	78	Carrs Milling	122	..	3.9	4.0	24.4
196	156	Cranswick	193	..	..	5.2	14.4
22	8½	Cullens	14½	..	0.5	4.3	41.7
184	119	Dalepak	134	..	6.0	5.6	10.6
521	424	Dalgety	496	..	..	5.3	13.7
54	27	Daniels S	50	..	..	0.6	..
248	191	Devro	247	+7	..	2.8	23.5
134	99	Everest	104	..	3.7	4.4	∞
372	269	Farepak	372	..	5.7	1.9	22.9
10	3	Farringford	8½				
94	64	Finlay (James)	81	-1	..	6.6	26.2
125	78	Fyffes	95	..	..	1.7	17.1
481	328	Geest	385	+15	8.1	2.7	17.2
16	7	Global	14½	..	..	4.3	22.6
47	43	Grand Central	47	..	1.2	3.3	∞
203	147	Hazlewood Fds	175	-1	..	4.6	9.9
175	131	Hillsdown	159	+3	8.8	7.0	12.3
250	181	Iceland Group	194	+4	..	2.1	12.2
131	103	JLI Group	106	-1	..	5.5	11.7
853	653	Kwik Save	695	+4	16.0	2.9	13.3
262	167	Low (Wm)	169	..	8.4	6.2	8.2
83	41	Matthews (B)	80	..	2.2	3.5	52.4
19½	12½	Merchant Retail	16½	..	1.1	8.3	33.8
174	98	Morrison (W)	108	+1	..	0.9	14.0
227	177	Nichols (JN)	220	..	13.6	7.7	6.4
291	242	Nthn Foods	267	+8	..	3.9	13.3
20½	9½	Nrthmbrn Fds	11				
229	172	Nurdin Peack	185	..	..	4.1	10.3
250	205	Park Foods	233	..	..	3.2	18.0
115	78	Perkins Food	83	-1	..	6.6	9.5
110	47	PizzaExpress	109	..	..	0.6	62.7
9	1½	Regina Hlth	5				
584	413	Sainsbury J	436½	+4½	..	2.9	15.3
86	33	Sentry Farm	76	..	..	2.5	13.6
225	94	Sims Food	115	..	..	8.2	22.2
439	355½	Tate & Lyle	376	+6	12.0	4.0	11.9
273	199	Tesco	210½	+5	..	4.1	9.8
211	123	Thorntons	164	+4	3.6	2.8	15.3
183	101	Treats	158	..	..	2.8	18.0
410	300	Unigate	395	+2	..	5.1	13.0
437	340½	Utd Biscuits	368	+10	..	5.3	22.4
24½	18½	Usborne	20½	..	..	4.9	∞
337	348	Watson & Phil	302	+2	13.3	5.5	15.7

HOTELS, CATERERS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
22	12	Abrdn Stk H	22	..	..	2.2	21.7
91	77	City Centre Rest	90	..	1.5	4.2	17.7
250	170	Forte	225	-5	..	4.6	30.4
215	152	Friendly Hotels	156				
11½	5	Harmony Leis	10½				
135½	87	Jurys Hotel	128½	..	..	5.0	10.3
222½	154	Ladbroke	178	+2	11.1	7.8	15.2
73	50	Mandarin Ornti	65	+2	..	5.2	16.1
59	44	Queens Moat	47	..	2.8	7.6	6.3
99	83	-do- 7¾% cvpr	85	..	..	7.5	11.0
2½	½	Regal Hotels	1½				
55	28	Resort Hotels	45	..	3.4	9.6	8.8
24	11½	Ryan Hotels IL	18	..	..	6.6	..
855	700	Savoy Hotel 'A'	818	..	7.0	1.1	..
66	34½	Stakis	64	+1½	..	0.9	..

INDUSTRIALS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
218	47	AAF Inds	54	..	..	20.4	3.3
616	455	AAH	531	-2	7.5	4.1	17.1
185	140	AIM	183	..	..	5.1	11.1
132	88	APV	96½	..	..	7.0	..
238	81	ASW	301	..	..	3.7	..
186½	116	Adwest	177	+1	..	5.2	∞
29	10	Aerospace Eng	22½	-½	..	4.2	29.6
281	249	Airsprung	280	..	..	2.0	17.9
160	113	Alenda W	160	..	3.8	3.0	44.2
13½	6½	Allied Radio	9½				
585	415	Alumasc	570	+1	..	2.6	16.8
48	17	Alvis	42	..	1.0	3.0	8.6
525	345	Amber Ind	525	..	..	4.4	12.0
48	18	Amberley Gp	40	..	..	3.1	..
107	78	Anagen	79				
145	75	Andrews Sykes	86	..	..	6.4	..
960	703	Armitage?	960	+10	..	2.1	17.7
54½	37	Armour	50½	..	..	4.2	11.7
170	143	Ash & Lacy	145	..	8.4	5.6	14.6
4	2½	Ass Br Eng	3½	..	..	1.8	..
541½	434	Avon Rubber	506	..	..	4.1	20.2
250	168	Assoc Nursg	248	..	..	0.5	15.2
687½	523	Atlas Equip	525	..	..	5.2	13.2
68	35	Ayrshire Metal	60				
182	147	BBA	164	..	..	5.7	13.9
65	28	BLP Group	61				
77	13	BM Gp	20½	..	..	5.0	.. 0.9
770	622	BOC	638	+7	23.2	4.5	14.0
79½	62	BSG	71½	..	..	5.6	24.6
487	353	BSS Group	464	..	..	4.6	27.8
409½	318	BTR	381	+4½	..	3.5	21.3
221	155	BWI	167	+1	6.7	5.1	∞
50	29	Babcock	35	+1½	..	7.5	20.9
9	4½	Bailey (CH)	8				
289	240	Baird (Wm)	280	..	8.9	4.0	19.2
1062½	550	Barlow Rand	643½	..	..	5.2	3.7
66	48	Baynes (Charles)	61	..	..	2.9	25.0
15	4	Beaufort	4½				
10	5	Beckenham	5				
34	15	Bedford (W)	29				
27½	15	Benson Group	16½	..	..	2.3	12.5
702	461	Bespak	543	..	10.0	2.3	17.0
133	73	Bibby (J)	92	..	9.7	..	5.4
312	129	Billam (J)	252	..	5.0	2.5	12.7
41	21½	Bilston Batters	28				
11½	3½	Bimec Ind	9½				
202	118½	Birkby	200	..	..	3.5	2.2 18.9
45	32	Black Arrow	38	..	..	2.6	8.6 11.9
1½	½	Black & Edgtn	1½				
233	136	Black (Peter)	233	..	3.7	2.0	20.5
562	129	Bluebird Toys	534	-11	..	1.1	16.3
322	247	Bodycote	284	..	..	2.2	18.0
40	23	Bogod 'A'	28	..	0.7	3.1	10.4
563	416	Boots	489	+6	..	3.4	18.1
61	42	Booth Inds	50	..	0.7	1.8	..
523	439½	Bowater	461	-4	..	3.1	19.3
1682	1189	Bowater Inc	1212				
274	199	Boxmore Intl	272	..	..	1.7	20.4
19	12½	Brasway	14½	..	0.5	4.4	∞
303	204	Brammer	285	..	13.0	5.7	21.2
27	12	Bridgend Gp	26	-1	0.4	1.9	..
123	64	Bridon	119	..	..	4.2	..
80	53	Bridport-Gndry	78	-1	4.1	6.6	14.6
48	31	Brierley Inv	45½	-½	..	7.6	∞
308	245	Br Bldg & Eng	245	..	..	1.3	..
82	42	Br Bloodstock	79				
528	417	Br Polythene	473	..	..	2.7	16.8
130	54	Br Steel	126½	-1½	..	1.0	..
180	80	Br Syphon	83	-12	..	4.5	23.3
185	115	Br Thornton	155	..	..	2.0	17.0
268	215	Br Vita	234	..	7.1	3.8	14.4
15½	5½	Britton Grp	14½	..	..	1.5	..
736	555	Broken Hill	728	..	..	2.5	34.0
112	78	Bromsgrve Ind	107	..	..	5.1	13.9
10½	6½	Brooke Tool	9				
70	44	Brown & Tawse	59	..	6.0	6.0	21.6
132	91	Bullough	126	..	1.0	..	20.8
23	11½	Business Tech	16				
23	17	Cl Group	22				
35	11	Campbl & Arm	23	+5			
39	6½	Cannon St	33	-½			
256	205	Cape	256	..	..	5.1	17.3
251	178	Carclo Eng	249	..	8.6	4.3	17.7
2888	2138	Carnaud Mtl	2325	..	..	2.7	∞
78	68	Cassidy Bros	69	..	..	4.3	11.3
210	158	Castings	210	..	4.3	2.6	14.8
71	62	Cathay Intl	63				
195	113	Chamberlin Hill	175	..	6.2	4.5	10.9
744	605	Charter	744	+2	..	3.7	17.5
345	220	Chemring	319	-1	..	3.2	19.2
92	45	Chieftain Gp	51	..	..	..	10.9
41	17	Chillington	34	..	5.1	..	..
205	144	Christies Int	203	..	0.2	0.9	..
63	34	Clayhithe	63	..	..	0.9	50.4
95	70	Clayton Son	75	..	..	5.0	..
7	7	Co Designers	7				
400	295	Cohen (A)	363	-27	0.2	..	..
223	170	Community H	215	+1	6.8	..	..
246	196½	Concentric	218	..	6.9	4.0	∞
254	120	Cook (Wm)	254	+4	..	3.2	18.2
233	182	Cookson	208	+1½	5.0	2.5	15.4
76	38	Copymore	71	..	..	3.6	27.5
238	130	Crwell Pkr 'A'	144	..	..	1.8	21.7
178	92	Cosalt	133	..	..	4.9	19.5
224	150	Crelghton Nts	187	..	10.7	..	20.2
48	27	CrestaCare	36	..	..	4.9	13.4
3862½	2993½	Dana	3843½	+18½	0.5	1.7	31.1
266	78½	Danka Bs Sys	264	+4	..	0.5	25.1
243	193	David Brown	209	..	..	3.6	14.7
22	5	Davies (DY)	17				
712	632	De La Rue	962	-4	..	3.1	18.1
27	16	Dinkie Heel	27	..	..	4.5	21.1
553	391	Diploma	551	+1	9.7	2.2	21.0
79	50	Dobson Park	78	..	..	5.7	14.0
116	92	Dyson (J&J)	112	..	5.0	5.6	30.6
80	57	-do- 'A'	74	..	5.0	8.4	13.6
16½	8	EPG	12½				
440	362	EIS	410	..	..	3.9	16.1
28	19	Ethief	25				
41	19	Eleco	32	+2	..	..	0.00
2350	1750	Electrolux 'B'	2325	..	..	2.6	..
76	45	Elliott (B)	75				
475	394	Eng China Cl	411	+7	..	6.1	23.9
140	111	Environmed	139	-1	..	..	50.3
3625	1550	Ericsson 'B'	3625	..	..	0.6	
77	32	Eurocopy	76	..	1.6	..	29.5
87	47	Expamet	71	..	..	..	1.7
717	499	Fairey Group	674	..	10.2	1.9	20.6
112	53	Fenner	112	..	..	..	21.1
66	12	Ferraris Group	65	..	..	1.9	15.3
1½	½	Ferromet	1½				
29	15	Ferrum	16	..	..	2.5	11.2
60	28	Fife Indmar	56	..	..	0.5	..
251	147	Fisons	169	-2½	..	6.7	15.0
53	29	Fitzwilton	46				
286	215	Flogas	275	..	..	3.6	12.5
43	37	Folkes Group nv	37	..	1.5	5.1	21.0
96	56	French (Thomas)	81	..	1.0	5.6	40.6
240	166½	Frost Group	218	..	..	2.3	27.5
86	71	GEI Int	85	..	..	7.3	
513	434	GKN	462	-5	..	5.5	10.8
51	42	GB Hldgs	44	..	..	5.7	
101	79	Garton Eng	94	..	4.0	5.4	..
161	103	Gestetner	146	..	8.2	7.0	8.4
42	23	Gieves	38	..	..	..	27.5
801	509	Glaxo	666	+12	..	4.1	17.4
38	16	Glencheston	32½				
319	245	Glynwed	318	-1	11.6	4.6	29.6
136	66	Goode Durrant	121	+1	..	5.6	..
153	102	Grampian Hd	150	-2	5.5	4.6	25.8
478	341	Granada	476	-2	7.7	2.0	19.3
411	301	Great Sthrn	411	..	..	3.3	16.9
117	78	Green (Ernst)	96	..	..	9.2	∞
15½	8½	Greenacre	15½	..	..	2.3	15.1
17	8	Guardian Grp	17				
62	30½	Haden MacLn	62	..	..	4.0	22.4
94	44	Hadleigh Inds	86	..	..	11.7	
280	115	Hall Eng	276	..	8.6	3.9	23.0
229	161	Halma	226	-1	..	1.2	27.7
49	30	Hampson Ind	41	..	1.6	4.9	13.5
268	222	Hanson	265½	..	..	5.4	13.5
221	153	Harris (Philip)	162	..	..	5.5	4.9
198	147	Harrisn Crsfld	192	..	9.0	5.9	27.7
90	38	Havelock Euro	86	-9			
51	20	Hay (Norman)	40				
28	17	Headway	35	..	0.7	3.5	∞
13½	5	Healthcare	5	..	..	20.0	1.4
345	301	Hepworth	390	-3	14.9	4.8	10.8
226	160	Hewitt (J)	215	+17	3.0	1.7	16.8
38	15	High-Point	36	..	1.3	..	..
162	112½	Hill & Smith	161	..	..	4.4	22.4
19½	6½	Hobson	19	+2			
176	87	Holders Tech	176	..	..	4.3	23.0
52	30	Hopkinsons	50	..	1.3	..	37.4
168	133	Hornby	168	+2	..	2.7	15.9
88	54½	Howden	80	+1	2.2	3.4	14.8
260	173	Hunting	244	+2	..	5.1	23.6
503	269½	Huntleigh Tech	415	+2	..	3.0	10.6
312	247	IMI	292	-8	..	4.3	25.9
119	90	ISA Intl	117	..	1.5	1.6	19.1
206	130	Intercare Gp	139	..	..	2.5	14.7
286	235	Isotron	270	..	4.3	1.9	∞
559	360	Jardine Math	549	+2	..	2.3	20.0
537	425	Johnson Matth	477	..	..	2.7	20.9
64	36½	Johnson & FB	46	..	3.0	8.2	14.2
177	104	Johnston	148	..	3.2	..	..
32	19	Jones Shipman	26				
35	18	Jourdan (T)	31	..	0.7	3.1	..
82	26	Kalamazoo	82	+2½	2.1	3.2	19.0
178	73	Kalon	158	..	..	2.5	21.9
297	198	Kelsey Ind	203	-2	13.0	..	..
545	465	Kershaw (A)	545	+2	27.0	6.2	28.3
235	75	Kleeneze	200				
151	61	LGW	145	..	3.0	2.6	12.0
351	266	Laird	335	-3	..	3.9	16.5
157½	103	Lilleshall	146	..	..	3.6	19.2
223	97	Lincat	210	-3	..	3.6	14.8
24	4½	Lincoln Hse	24	..	..	..	19.8
128	76	Linread	109	..	3.7	4.3	16.8
280	170	Linton Park	253	..	..	6.9	9.1
15½	10½	Linpheart	11½	..	0.2	2.1	..
22½	15	Locker (T) A	20	..	1.0	6.2	29.1
274	140	Lon Intl	162½	+2½	9.4	7.3	12.4
135	70	Lonrho	121	-3½	..	4.1	..
388	369	Low & Bonar	362	..	..	3.1	50.7
338	254	MB-Caradon	338	+4	..	3.2	27.3
168	128	-do- pf	167½	+1	7.2	5.4	..
40	14½	ML Hldgs	39	..	..	..	
47	27	MS Intl	47	..	..	6.6	48.4
50	39	MY Holdings	45	..	..	2.8	13.7
216	168	Macfarlane	207	..	..	1.9	23.4
460	379	McKechnie	443	+5	14.7	4.2	14.0
106	85	McLeod Russel	104	+2	6.0	7.2	12.7
10½	2½	Maddox	2½	..	..	..	16.0
106	63	Magnolia	100	..	0.1	0.1	16.1
106	71	Mang Bronze	99	..	1.0	1.3	..
26½	19½	Marling	22½	..	..	3.6	..
194	124	Mayborn	194	+2	..	3.2	14.9
62	29	Mayflower	58	..	..	2.7	48.4
236	85	Medeva	106	-1	..	2.7	8.6
118	88	Meggitt	103	..	..	4.6	17.5
125	94	Metalrax	119	..	..	3.8	19.4
154	126	Metrotect	153	..	..	2.6	21.3
95	70	Mersec	95				
89	29	Midstates	86	..	..	1.1	11.5
25	14	Mining & Ald	21	..	0.5	3.0	..
515	368	Molins	512	..	..	3.4	12.3
345	262	Morgan Cble	336	+6	..	4.8	17.3
184	134	Morris Ashby	177	..	..	3.8	13.4
33	18	Neepsend	28	..	0.7	3.3	37.6
73	34	Nestor-BNA	62	..	3.1	6.4	14.8
191	122	Nobo Gp	191	..	4.8	3.1	18.9
181	122½	Norcros	170	-1	..	5.1	24.8
51	35	Novo Group	38	..	..	4.3	12.2
413	310	Nu-Swift	338	+5	..	..	∞
81	36	Office Elec Mac	73	..	0.1	0.2	..
39½	21	OMI Intl	37	+½	..	5.9	..
140	123	PCT	132	..	..	6.9	15.0
76	36	Paper Systems	72	+1	..	6.1	..
138	87½	Pentland	97	..	..	3.2	13.2
395	307	Photo-Me	307	-2	4.6	1.9	∞
165	97½	Pilkington	146	-½	..	3.4	..
87	68	Plantsbrook	86	..	3.0	4.4	13.6
154	125	Polypipe	140	+2	2.1	1.8	∞
42	19	Porter Chadbrn	21	..	..	7.4	9.6
11½	5½	Porth Gp	9				
376	306	Powerscreen	368	..	..	2.2	19.1
20	16½	Prospect Inds	16½	..	0.7	5.7	8.3
64	33½	RPS Group	63	..	2.2	4.4	13.9
95	73	Radiant Metal	90				
185	77	Ransom Oil	121	+1	..	1.0	40.5
842	636	Rank Org	813	-10	31.0	4.8	22.2
33	15	Ransomes	17	-1½			
657	532	Reckitt Colm	638	..	..	3.2	14.6
77	50	Record	71	..	3.6	6.4	34.4
7½	2½	Reece	5				
254	131	Relyon	250	-4	4.9	2.4	30.0
303	208	Renishaw	274	-1	6.5	3.0	∞
97	55	Renold	96	..	..	1.3	..
1582	1240	Reuters	1518	+27	21.2	1.7	25.1
62	24½	Rexmore	60	-1	1.2	1.7	3.6
174	91	Ricardo Group	174	+4	5.7	4.1	∞
76	58	Richard (Leics)	75	..	4.4	..	
98	63	Richardson West	87	..	3.0	4.5	21.3
142	109	Ropner	134	..	8.2	7.7	19.0
136	97	-do- 'A'	126	..	8.2	8.2	17.9
38	24	Ross Gp	29	..	0.6	2.8	11.9
184	131½	Rotork	168	+5	..	2.8	19.7
162	89	Rubicon	162	..	..	3.3	22.7
66	43	Russell (A)	64				
29	15	SEP Indl	28	+1	..	3.3	25.6
1012½	625	SKF 'B'	937½				
59	39	Saville Grdn (J)	58	-1	..	4.7	28.9
248	205	Scapa	235	..	..	3.3	16.4
238	192	Scholl	210	..	..	3.8	15.3
6½	4	Scot Heritable	4½				
1085	917	Securicor	1063	..	2.6	0.3	41.2
765	562	-do- 'A'	748	..	2.6	0.4	28.5
660	465	Security Serv	660	+1	5.0	1.0	32.6
124½	77	Senior Eng	124½	..	..	3.2	20.6
361	278	Seton Health	299	-5	..	2.4	17.7
68	42	Sheldon Jones	63				
140	88	Shiloh	140	..	2.9	2.6	15.1
348	281	Sidlaw	318	..	..	3.9	20.3
561	427	Siebe	535	..	..	2.5	22.0
383	232	Silentnight	355	-2	..	2.8	19.1
131	102	Slane Darby	129	..	..	4.2	∞
142	62	Simon Eng	78	+7			
250	104	Sinclair (Wm)	210	-1	7.0	4.2	13.5
47	30	Sm Hundred	46	..	..	4.3	..
164	139½	Smith & Neph	140	-1½	..	4.1	15.6
513	389	Smithkline	418	-3	8.6	2.6	15.1
450	340	Smithkline Uts	320	..	..	3.5	12.5
394	320	Smiths Ind	372	-1½	11.3	3.8	15.4
140	58	Smm Bus	76	+3	3.5	5.6	7.2
458	265	Spandex	458	+4	..	1.9	20.3
660	300	Spear (JW)	525	..	4.0	3.4	9.6
376	314	Spirax-Sarco	356	-1	..	2.3	22.3
145	44	Spring Ram	46	-1	..	..	18.1
270	222	Staveley	235	..	..	4.5	13.3
164	126	Sterling Ind	162	..	..	4.3	24.8
187	97	Suter	180	+4	8.8	6.1	19.6
372	234	Swire Pacfc 'A'	371	..	..	2.4	∞
7½	3	Sycamore	3½				
78	53	Sykes-Pick	55	..	..	..	6.5
149	123	Syltone	148	..	..	4.0	19.7
774	279	TI	391	-1	..	3.7	24.5
32	12	TLS Range	31	+1	..	1.6	..
318	211	TT Group	316	..	..	3.6	19.5
349	220	Takare	235	..	2.8	1.0	29.5
968	618	Takeda Chem	834	..	..	0.8	15.8
72	24	Tex Hldgs	68				
109	70	Tinsley (E)	101	..	..	5.7	15.6
240	150	Titon	240	..	..	1.9	23.6
240	212½	Tomkins	238½	-4½	..	3.3	17.6
112	67	Trafalgar H	107	..	..	3.8	7.8
116	69	Transfer Tech	102	-1	3.2	3.9	22.9
198	158½	Triplex Lloyd	169	..	..	2.5	29.3
269	214	UniChem	268	..	5.6	2.7	17.4
375	229½	Unidare	365	..	..	5.4	18.3
76	11½	Unigroup	32				
1249	938	Unilever	1052	-5	21.3	2.5	14.5
6112½	4562½	Unilever (NV)	7212½	..	..	2.9	11.9
475	513	VSEL	854	-1	..	4.2	9.2
17½	6½	Verson	11½				
164	69½	Vickers	151	-2	..	3.4	14.1
367	243	Victaulic	298	..	..	3.4	20.8
447	293	Vinten	447	..	..	2.0	20.7
694	427	Vosper Thorny	691	..	..	2.4	16.7
46	41	WSP Hldgs	42	..	..	..	10.9
468	368	Wagon Ind	445	..	..	4.9	19.6
98	71	Walker Greenbk	91	-1	3.1	4.3	22.9
258	201	Wassall	254	..	2.5	1.2	25.6
42	32	Wirfird Wdgwd	39½				
384	291	Weir	305	+1	..	2.4	17.2
963	600	Wellcome	723	-15	13.0	2.3	20.0
27	18	Wellman	19	..	0.9	5.9	31.0
354	260	West Hltncare	354	..	..	1.3	∞
510	460	Whatman	484	-2	9.5	2.5	16.4
353	224	Whessoe	259	-9	..	4.2	9.3
68	27	Whitecroft	67				
6½	4½	Widney	5				
130	44	Wilkes (James)	125	..	3.5	..	37.5
365	295½	Williams Hldg	333	+3	12.5	4.7	17.4
39	17	Wilshaw	39	-1	..	1.5	24.6
693	533	Wolseley	692	+7	12.5	2.3	24.0
150	125	Wood (Arthur)	125	..	1.5	1.5	45.5
46	35	Wyko	38	..	..	3.3	..
99	38	Young (H)	52	..	3.0	7.2	19.1

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1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1993½	1287½	Alex & Alex	1297½	-90	..	5.2	..
2406½	1787½	Am Gen	2212½	+81½	..	3.3	..
53	30	Archer (AJ)	52	..	4.4	..	25.3
183	133	Berry Bch Nbl	170	..	..	3.9	13.2
148	118	Bradstock	125	..	5.1	5.1	15.4
498	399½	Britannic	470	-2	..	3.0	..
667	556	Com Union	640	+3	..	4.8	..
1700	1225	Dom & Gen	1700	..	..	1.7	∞
39	18	FAI	35	-1			
740	546	Gen Accident	735	+4	26.7	4.6	..
229	160	GRE	228	+1	7.0	3.9	18.7
412	295	Heath C E	383	+2	..	5.2	..
228	163	Hogg Gp	163	..	8.1	6.4	14.5
215	162	JIB Group	173	..	..	5.4	17.7
525	408½	Legal & Gen	522	+6	..	4.6	31.7
1092	768	Liberty Life	1025	+13	..	2.5	20.0
465	403	Lloyds Abbey	453	+4	17.3	4.8	16.3
338	253	Lloyd Thomp	276	-6	..	6.7	3.0 ∞
288	274	London & Man	381	-6	14.3	4.7	28.1
443	321	Londres Lmb	407	..	13.5	4.1	14.6
6743½	5506½	Marsh McLn	5537½	+31½	..	3.2	..
122	76	Oriel	122	+7	..	5.2	..
72	50½	PWS	60	-1	4.0	8.3	8.7
360	282½	Prudential	360	+4	..	4.1	23.9
1138	800	Refuge	1053	..	31.5	3.7	29.2
347	248	Royal	332	-2	..	4.5	20.7
204	150	Sedgwick	168	..	..	..	9.1
261	119	Steel Burrill	154	..	8.2	..	8.8
89	48	Storge Hldgs	85	..	14.2	4.5	..
400	307	Sun Alliance	395	..	..	..	
61	50	Trade Indemnty	58	+1			
332	239	Transatlantic	328	..	12.0	4.6	30.4
773	499	Utd Friendly	640	..	14.5	2.8	27.9
262	171	Willis Corroon	205	-1	..	4.0	44.0
21	13½	Windsor	20	..	..	..	15.7

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1820	1548	Alliance	1767	-3	45.0	3.2	38.7
264	226½	Amer Trust	261	+1	4.9	2.3	54.2
404	304	Ang & O'seas	399	+1	6.8	2.1	50.7
151	124	BZW Conv	151	+1	7.8	6.5	∞
188½	133½	Bankers	188	+½	3.4	2.3	51.4
317	264	Baring Tribne	314	..	6.4	2.6	49.7
194	131	Berry Starq	194	..	2.2	1.4	63.1
110	96½	Br Assets	105½	-½	..	5.1	25.8
82	57½	Br Empire Sec	81	+½	0.8	1.4	..
29	14	-do- Wnts	27				
198	156	Br Inv	195	..	4.5	2.9	43.9
191	130	Contl Asset	188	..	2.4	1.6	62.5
195	143	Derby Inc	152	+1	..	11.7	9.1
280	195	-do- Cap	278	+3			
87	62	Drayton Blue	87	..	8.4	12.1	9.7
85	35	-do- Eng Intl	82	..	1.2	1.8	..
133	84	-do- Far East	127	+2	0.6	0.6	..
122	95	-do- Korea	115	..	0.5	0.6	..
665	576	Dunedin Inc G	660	+1	..	4.9	30.4
100	91½	-do- Japan	93½				
55	38	-do- Warrants	46				
696	513	-do- Wwde	684	-1	9.5	1.7	70.5
292	222	Dundee & Lon	286	..	..	3.9	26.4
304	250½	Edinburgh	295	..	8.4	3.6	32.3
287	183	Electra Inv	287	+2	6.7	2.9	39.1
190	141	Electric Gen	183	..	3.1	2.1	57.0
113	85	English Scot	110				
300	205	European Asset	293	+1	..	2.5	38.1
133	77	Finsbury 'A'	133	..	3.0	2.8	42.8
292	248	Fleming Amer	290	..	0.7	0.3	..
219	190½	-do- Claver	213	..	..	3.1	42.0
318	212	Do Contl	316	+1	2.7	1.1	..
202	147	-do- Emrg	202	+1	..	2.9	40.8
334	213	-do- F East	331	+2	1.1	0.4	..
336	246	-do- Fledg	325	..	3.0	1.2	..
118	93	-do- Hi Inc	109	-1	..	..	5.0 18.6
250	136	-do- Japan	237	..	0.3	0.2	..
289	250	-do- Merc	281	+1	6.7	3.0	60.1
292	212	-do- Oseas	288	-½	4.2	1.8	60.3
258	203	Foreign & Col	254½	..	..	1.7	69.3
62	44	-do- Enterprise	60	-½	0.4	0.9	..
219	164	-do- Eurotst	219	+1	1.2	0.7	..
125	87	-do- German	123	+1	0.5	0.5	..
319	191	-do- Pacific	300	+2	..	0.9	..
164½	116	-do- Smaller	164½	..	1.8	1.4	..
272	145	GT Japan	246	+3	..	0.6	..
155	65	Genl Cons Cap	155	..	..	..	
123½	96½	-do- Inc	118	..	..	9.0	12.2
151	115	Govett Am Smlr	150	+2½	0.9	0.4	..
318	184	-do- Oriental	318	+3	..	3.1	38.0
283	207	-do- Strategy	275	..	..	2.0	60.1
400	340	Greenfriar	400				
19	5	Gresham House	19				
143	124	Inv Cap	139	..	5.1	4.6	27.9
97	77	IRS UK Smllr	92	..	2.8	3.8	25.7
209	156½	Kleinwort Chrt	203½	..	5.0	3.1	39.6
239	176	-do- O'seas	231½	..	3.3	1.8	65.8
133	108	-do- Smlr	133	..	..	3.3	32.2
682	540	Law Debenture	681	..	18.2	3.3	34.0
197	164	Majedie	196	..	..	3.0	37.9
272	221	Merchants	269	..	..	5.1	25.0
6687½	3000	Merrill Lynch	6425	-87½			
491	383	Monks Inv Tst	490	+1	..	1.7	62.1
140	105	Morg Grenf Inc	137	..	..	4.2	27.2
53	23	Do Warrants	52				
56	39	Murray Euro	54	..	0.1	0.4	..
21	4½	Do Wts	18½				
348	282	Murray Income	346½	+½	10.9	3.9	33.1
340	266	-do- Intl	335	+1	11.6	4.3	30.2
395	263	-do- Small	384	+2	..	1.4	..
105	92	-do- S/C Inc	92	..	..	14.4	9.0
135	72	-do- S/C Cap	123				
3075	2750	-do- S/C Uts	3075	..	..	4.3	..
156	142½	-do- S/C DP	155½				
315	230	-do- Vent	304	-1	10.9	4.5	∞
106	56½	New Frontier	106	+1	0.2	0.3	..
68	66	Nthrog Inc	91	..	6.7	9.3	17.1
336	269	O'seas Inv Tst	332	..	2.8	1.1	..
411	285	Pacific Assets	410	+6	1.1	0.3	..
314	187	Do Warrants	313	+9			
8300	7850	Personal Assets	8250	..	..	2.4	49.3
158	100	RIT Cap Pter	150	-1	1.1	1.0	..
126	108	River & Merc	123	..	9.2	9.3	12.3
465	350	Robeco	418	+13	..	3.0	..
435	366	Rolinco	413	+5	..	1.9	..
279	214	St Andrews Inv	278	+3	7.5	3.4	37.4
156½	131	Scot American	151	..	..	3.8	31.9
231	136	Scot Asian	231	+2			
555	225	do Warrants	555	+20			
81½	63½	-do- Eastern	79	+½	1.5	2.4	51.9
222	183	Scottish	216	+1½	4.6	2.6	46.0
222	178	-do- Mtge	216	..	4.0	3.3	56.1
96½	71	-do- Value	96	..	..	2.3	68.4
1592	1390	Second Allnce	1568	..	..	3.1	39.5
91	74½	Secs Tst of Scot	89½	..	3.2	4.5	29.6
157	109½	Selective Asset	156	..	1.2	1.0	56.1
37½	14	Sphere Inv	37	..	3.1	10.7	11.7
164	112	TR Far East	155	..	4.5	3.6	34.0
156	126	TR City Of Lon	152½	+½	..	3.9	33.2
171½	110	TR Pacific	171	+2	0.3	0.3	..
32	17	TR Property	32	-1	0.9	3.5	33.6
109	47	TR Tech Inv	109	+2	1.7	2.0	40.4
198	186	TR Smlr Cos	191	..	..	2.5	44.2
348	283	Temple Bar	339	..	13.2	4.9	25.6
96½	69	Thmsn Asian E	98	..	0.5	0.6	..
78½	54	Throgmorton	75	..	2.3	3.8	30.6
550	363	Throg Dual Cp	513	..	..	..	
231	178	USDC Invest	227	-1	4.5	2.5	41.8
114	79½	Value Inc Tst	112	-1	3.6	4.0	28.2
773	542	Whitbread Inv	741	-2	16.5	2.8	44.6
216	181	Witan	212½	+½	5.0	3.3	37.2

LEISURE

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
417	269	Airtours	417	+6	7.2	2.2	14.8
64	42	Ald Leis	56	-1	3.0	6.9	∞
376	194	Anglia TV	365	..	..	3.2	16.9
103	63	Baldwin	95	+1	3.0	4.4	11.5
249	192	Barr & W 'A'	244	..	10.0	5.1	15.8
1245	930	Boosey Hwks	1175	..	22.0	2.3	17.6
153	90	Border TV	134	..	..	3.1	12.1
16½	4½	Brent Walker	6				
58	48	Bristol Scotts	55				
9	2½	Buckingham Int	7				
292	85	Campari	103	+10	..	5.2	3.0 25.8
230	171	Capital Radio	223	..	..	1.7	0.0
816	718	Carlton Comm	757	-7	17.0	2.8	22.3
200	158	Castle Comm	188	+5	..	5.7	17.2
2108	1615	Central TV	2040	+7	38.0	2.3	22.2
124	61	Chrysalis	118				
590	470	Compass Gp	579	+1	..	2.8	17.3
350	175	Eurocamp	193	..	9.7	6.3	8.0
1180	610	Euro Disney	645	..	..	1.8	..
8	3½	Euro Leisure	3½				
38½	18	Ex-Lands	35	..	..	0.3	1.3 ∞
390	245	Fairline Boats	313	+2	10.5	4.2	..
378	268	First Leisure	272	-1	6.1	2.8	18.8
588	298	GWR Gp	585	..	..	1.5	30.1
246	149	Grampian	243	..	6.1	3.1	16.8
20	4½	Greenwich Comm	20				
85	19	HTV Group	85	+4	..	..	37.8
76	30	Hi-Tec Sports	64	+4	..	4.0	..
12½	5½	Kunick	10				
505	405	LWT Hldgs	503	-1	..	1.2	23.3
600	327	Man Utd	591	+11	19.5	4.2	∞
148	59	Owners Abrd	75	-½	3.5	5.8	6.0
74	33	The Pelican Gp	65	..	..	2.1	15.2
160	55	Prism Leisure	131	..	..	3.1	12.2
31	16	Quadrant Grp	31	+1			
327	274	Radio Clyde	322	..	..	3.3	25.2
208	132	Ramsdens (H)	104	..	..	2.9	25.7
553	410	Scot TV	412	-2	9.9	3.0	20.2
65	37	Southern Radio	55	..	0.7	1.8	22.0
260	168	Stanley Leisure	229	..	4.3	2.4	18.1
10	5½	Sunleigh	8½				
145	118	Sunset & Vine	120	..	3.5	3.6	14.0
420	345½	Tanjong	345½	..	..	0.5	18.9
2½	1	Ticketing	2½				
117	84	Tottenham Hot	100	-2	..	..	3.2
78	44	Trans World	52	..	..	1.9	19.0
499	274	Ulster TV	498	..	10.0	2.5	15.3
101	62	Vardon	97	+1	0.7	1.0	22.9
22	11	Wembley	18	..	0.2	..	..
48	7½	Whitegate	45				
234	110	Yorkshire TV	231	..	12.0	6.5	7.0
120	83	Zetters Gp	116	..	8.0	8.6	13.1

MINING

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5700	1800	Am Gold	4750	+62½	..	4.3	24.1
1625	1018	Ang Am Coal	1568½	..	..	5.8	8.3
2300	1125	Ang Am	2137½	..	..	3.2	18.6
33	8½	Anglo Pac Res	31				
133	33	Blyvoors	130	-1			
46	18	Bracken	44	+9	..	22.6	2.8
871	233	Buffels	622	-5	..	10.2	5.6
2½	1	Butte	2½				
720	546	CRA	654	-8	..	3.1	22.4
43½	11	Cliff Res	30½	+½			
1312½	762½	De Beers	1275	+6½	..	3.8	17.5
165	37½	Deelkraal	127	+12	..	1.5	14.6
96	7	Doornfontein	59	+10			
913	388	Driefontein	757	+10	..	3.8	15.0
709	120	Durban	488	+32			
201	47	E Rand Gold	136	+4	..	8.3	4.0
270	54	E Rand Prop	212	-1			
604	117	Elandsrand	374	+25	..	3.2	9.2
899	282	FS Cons	790	+7	..	6.3	10.0
9	8	FS Dev	46				
1675	725	GFSA	1256	..	..	3.2	21.7
180	125	Gencor	157	..	..	5.6	12.9
64½	35½	GM Kalgoorli	44	-½	..	3.0	17.9
22½	5	Greenwich R 'A'	14½				
187	49	Grootvlei	117	-1	..	8.7	7.3
360	78	Harmony	293	+11			
425	87	Hartes	332	+1	..	5.7	13.1
15½	8½	Inoco	15½				
1010	491	Impala Plat	729	-1	..	3.8	25.1
13½	6	Kenmare Res	8				
1080	332	Kinross	863	+18	..	5.7	10.0
913	319	Kloof	720	+14	..	3.0	10.7
137	25	Leslie	99	+5	..	4.1	10.4
219	13	Loraine	182	+5			
840	620	Lydenburg	750	..	..	2.6	∞
116½	80	MIM	88½	+5	..	2.5	42.9
1266	820	Minorco	1241	-25	..	3.1	∞
141	91	Nth Brkn Hill	129	..	..	3.7	21.2
2287½	612½	Orange Free	1975	+37½	..	6.5	15.9
746	607	RTZ	691	+8	..	3.8	19.1
637½	425	Rand Mines	575	..	..	10.6	2.8
671	150	Randfontein	582	+16	..	4.0	8.7
192	115	Renison	145	-2	..	3.0	15.0
1200	850	Rustnbrg	1050	..	..	3.1	∞
595	191	St Helena	513	..	..	4.7	10.9
2168	475	Southvaal	1685	+52	..	3.3	30.7
119	18	Stilfontein	75	..	..	8.3	13.6
201	58	Unisel	122	-1	..	2.5	12.4
6075	1800	Vaal Reefs	5050	+75	..	4.3	9.1
582	154	Welkom	513	..	..	6.4	16.0
410	26	Western Areas	221	+10	..	1.2	13.0
2612½	587½	Western Deep	1937½	+9½	..	3.2	9.4
283	176	Wstrn Mining	221	+3	..	2.2	∞
1029	323	Winkels	863	-7	..	1.6	7.4
84	56	Zambia Copper	72	..	..		
68	18	Zandpan	51	..	..	3.9	17.2

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
258	233	Abbey Panels	238	..	3.0	2.9	12.5
135	95	Airflow Stream	130	..	..	5.0	..
153	78	Appleyard	130	..	..	3.5	16.2
335	203	Blenchley Mtr	318	..	..	3.5	16.2
192	120	Bostrom	192	+4	6.0	4.0	33.5
468	165	Br Aerospace	404	+11	7.0	2.2	..
52	19½	Burndene	46	..	..	3.2	12.2
388	303	Caffyns	378	..	11.5	3.8	76.5
15	4½	Caverdale	13½				
143	98	Central Mtr	134	..	..	3.7	34.1
29	18	Cook (DC)	26	..	..	2.9	14.8
267	156	Cowie (T)	251	..	6.2	3.1	19.1
141	86	Dag Motors	139	..	5.7	5.2	25.1
155	102½	Davgpt Vern	155	+1	..	3.3	19.6
318	155	ERF	318	+9	2.0	0.8	..
145	92	European Mtr	137	..	..	3.2	19.3
402	208	Evans Halshaw	401	+2	11.8	3.5	61.8
290	226	FR Group	249	..	..	3.6	11.6
3703½	2843½	Ford Motor	3668½	+37½	..	1.8	..
3312½	2143½	General Mtr	2887½	+125	..	1.8	..
75	38	Gowrings	60	+1	2.0	4.2	..
247	85	Henlys	229	..	3.0	1.6	..
982	650	Honda Motor	981	..	..	0.9	..
30	15	Jacks (Wm)	25				
108	66	Jessups	99	..	4.5	5.7	..
173	97	Kwik-Fit	159	..	..	2.6	22.5
420	281	Lex Service	392	-5	..	3.4	21.4
164	85	Lookers	149	..	6.2	5.2	..
164	126	Lucas	155	-2	7.0	5.6	..
27	21	Malaya Grp	23½				
284	224½	Pendragon	260	..	..	3.2	21.4
190	101½	Perry Gp	173	..	..	5.1	..
190	108	Quicks Group	172	..	..	3.3	22.0
160	96½	Rolls-Royce	158½	+½	..	3.9	..
223	164	T & N	187	+1	..	7.3	26.6
190	163	Trinity Hldgs	235	..	..	3.0	21.8
175	125	Yardy (Reg)	175	..	..	3.0	24.5
253	121	Westland	223	-1	4.2	2.4	19.7

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
193	103	Adscene	191	..	5.0	3.3	19.6
360	315	Black (A&C)	358	..	13.5	4.8	14.5
608	290	Blenheim Gp	322	..	..	3.5	11.9
370	275	Bristol	349	..	..	4.2	31.5
£102	7775	Daily Mail	9500	..	13.0	1.7	21.4
£101½	7700	Daily Mail 'A'	9425	..	13.0	1.7	21.2
305	251	Dorling Kind	305	+2	3.3	1.4	∞
373	322	EMAP	350	..	..	2.8	21.6
1123	873	Euromoney Pb	1123	..	29.5	3.3	25.3
264	170	Harrington K	227	-3	4.5	2.5	18.5
468	233	Haynes Pub	458	..	..	2.2	17.2
363	343	Hodder H'line	359	..	4.5	1.6	30.5
140	99	Home Counts	127	..	6.0	..	..
151	30	Intl Bus Comm	149	..	..	..	21.6
14	6½	Int Cap & Data	13½				
395	240	Independent	375	..	..	3.1	20.2
580	395	Johnstne Press	575	..	6.2	1.4	24.9
320	243	Metal Bulletn	320	..	8.0	3.1	22.6
186	88	Mirror Gp	169	..	..	0.3	..
468	297	News Corp	460	+2	..	0.3	..
274	169	News Intl	267	-1	..	0.6	16.4
547	354	Pearson	527	-6	..	2.8	28.6
675	510	Portsmth Sund	618	..	..	1.9	17.0
743	618	Reed Intl	737	+2	..	2.9	32.1
190	98	Southnews	150	+1	..	1.8	27.7
171	90	Sterling Pub	165	..	..	2.3	18.2
423	328	Telegraph	387	..	..	3.6	16.3
825	715	Thomson Corp	735	..	..	2.1	38.7
395	313	Trinity Intl	391	..	8.7	2.8	23.4
39	27	Unit Group	34				
593½	480½	Utd Nwspprs	525	..	..	5.1	14.6

OILS, GAS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
37	17	Aran Energy	33½	..	..	..	32.6
61	37	Arcon Intl	42	..	..	..	
71	41½	Aus Oil & Gas	60½	-2½			
83	26	Aviva Pet	69	+2			
16	9	Beverley	11½				
235	145	Br Borneo	197	..	7.1	4.5	0.0
339½	276	British Gas	335½	+½	14.2	5.4	15.8
330½	225	Br Petroleum	323	-2½	8.4	3.3	25.4
1½	1	Bula Resources	1½				
821	675	Burmah Castl	770	-13	..	4.1	18.0
68	32	Cairn Energy	66	-1	..	..	9.4
287	223	Calor Gp	283	..	..	5.4	15.1
60½	32½	Clyde Pet	50½	-½			
44	27	Copiex Res	36	-4			
23½	10½	Edin Oil & Gas	17½				
521	397	Enterprise	466	-2	16.0	4.3	25.6
88	32	Exp Co Louis	40				
34½	18½	Fairhaven Intl	23½	+½	..	2.3	8.5
10½	4	Fortune	4				
87	45	Goal Pet	64	..	1.4	2.7	12.2
48	18	Gt Western Res	41½	..	..	0.7	16.2
176	104½	Hardy O & G	174	-1			
46	18½	Kelt Energy	43	-1			
195	128	LASMO	140	-1½	..	2.9	28.4
103	63	-do- Units	73	..	9.4	16.2	..
24	5½	Mid Scot Res	6½	+½			
56	34	Monument	53				
9½	4	New London	4½	..	..	1.0	4.0 9.3
33	21	Nth Sea Assets	27				
36	27	Oil Search	33	+1			
19½	11½	Petroz	18½	-1			
144	99	Plus Pet	133				
29½	18	Premier	22				
115	50	Presidio	113	..	..	5.9	
393	290	Ranger	365	..	..	4.4	
6825	5150	Royal Dtch Fl	6787½	..	..	4.6	16.8
4500	3600	Schlumberger	4300	..	..	1.9	..
67	47	Seafield	52				
686	515	Shell	684	+4	21.9	4.0	21.0
203	173	Sunrise Eng Sv	173				
41	21	Triton Europe	22				
15	6	Villiers Grp	14½				
173	135	Woodside	173	+2	..	2.0	..

PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
144	120	AG Holdings	144	..	..	4.6	15.0
331	249	API	329	..	7.5	2.8	28.7
250	144	Arjo Wiggins	259	..	..	3.5	37.0
543	408	Abbott Mead	543	+2	9.5	2.2	28.3
40	13	Aegis Gp	36½	+1½			
212	118	Aspen Comms	129	..	..	4.7	11.7
13	7	BBB Design	13				
400	234½	Bemrose	381	..	..	3.8	17.0
33	11	Birkdale	11				
150	118	Bunzl	150	..	4.0	3.3	22.6
344	257	CIA Gp	343	..	..	1.6	21.7
230	93	Capital Inds	180	+1	..	..	17.2
79	44	City of Lon	76	..	..	6.3	14.0
246	169	Cropper (James)	246	..	3.1	1.6	23.8
6	8	Crown Comm	6				
92	51	Delyn Pckaging	90	..	..	1.6	2.3 12.1
118	94	Dolphin Pack	117	..	..	4.5	4.8 25.9
87	42	Dudley Jenkins	70	..	..	5.5	15.0
15½	11	Elswick	12	..	..	3.1	13.4
73	41	Fairway Group	66	..	3.1	6.0	19.5
340	271	Ferguson Intl	333	-1	..	4.7	15.1
108	92	Ferry Pick	105	..	..	6.7	28.5
152	74	Filofax	144	..	..	1.1	18.6
20	11	Finch	17½				
122	60	Gibbon Lyons	121	..	..	5.2	13.7
295	224	Gold Greenless	225	-1	8.3	4.6	16.1
41	20	Goodhead	22	..	..	0.5	2.8
88	35	Hunterprint	39				
185	136	Intereurope	165	..	7.8	5.9	∞
264	191	Jarvis Porter	262	+1	..	2.2	24.4
32	15½	Lopex	30½				
37½	26	MMT	30½				
334	175	More O'Ferrall	332	..	..	13.2	5.0 39.7
133	48	NMC Group	125	-1	2.0	2.0	19.0
172	66	Osborne & Little	171	..	..	3.4	18.6
525	455	Portals	499	..	..	3.7	16.7
3½	1	Premier Hlth	2½				
286	159	Quarto	285	..	..	2.4	17.5
347	287	St Ives Gp	342	..	5.2	2.2	20.6
189½	142½	Saatchi	182				
474	292	Sappl	330	..	..	9.9	6.3
32	11½	Serif	30				
32½	14	Shandwick	21				
397	294	Smith David	349	-3	..	3.6	18.3
295	214	Smurfit (Jeff)	227	-5	..	1.9	5.5
70	45	Somic	66	..	1.5	2.6	27.0
246	183	Stat-Plus	220	..	8.0	4.5	19.6
27½	16½	Taylor Nelson	27½	..	0.3	1.4	22.6
74	38	VTR	74	+1	..	5.7	21.1
106	43	WPP	101	..	..	1.2	3.9
178	62	Wace	178	..	..	3.9	19.1
265	203	Waddington (J)	255	..	11.5	1.9	29.4
762	540	Warmough	761				
7	4½	Westport	5				
34	12	Whinney Mck	16	+2			
87	55	Wood (SW)	76	+1	..	2.0	16.7

PROPERTY

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
109½	41	Allied Lon	108½	+½	..	4.2	27.5
63	58	Arcadian	62				
16½	4½	Ascot Hldgs	5½				
115	52	Asda	115	..	..	2.5	12.1
152	88	Avonside	143	..	4.0	3.5	20.0
2637½	2062½	BCE	2150				
652	396	Bilton	650	..	18.9	3.2	23.3
110	23	Bourne End	85	..	1.0	1.5	..
224	150	Bradford	218	..	5.4	3.1	22.1
23	5	Bredero	16½				
413	166½	Br Land	413	+15	..	2.1	37.6
240	140½	Brixton	232	+7	..	4.5	18.4
81	42	Burford	79	..	..	1.8	..
186	99	Cap & Regnla	184½	..	..	0.7	..
215	120	Cardiff Prop	215	..	2.4	1.4	..
520	196	Chesterfield	516	+2	11.0	2.7	36.9
43	12	City Site Ests	38	..	1.4	..	..
26	12	Clarke Nicholls	25				
53	34	Conrad Rhlat GS	47				
1275	818	Daejan	1273	..	..	2.7	15.7
3½	1½	Dares Estates	2½				
109	53	Debenham Twsn	108	..	..	3.5	21.0
12	4	De Morgan	8				
157	76	Dencora	157	+1	3.0	2.4	..
578	263	Derwent Hldgs	578	+5	8.6	1.9	72.0
45	10	Development Sec	41				
56	25	Dwyer	53				
300	170	Estates Agency	285	..	3.0	..	26.1
27	7½	Estates Gen	21				
215	132	Evans Of Leeds	209	+1	..	2.7	18.5
33½	11	Five Oaks	33				
75	30	Fletcher King	63	..	1.0	2.0	41.7
474	226½	Frogmore	455	+5	16.0	4.4	∞
200	97	Grainger	190	..	5.2	3.5	42.5
228	116½	Gt Portland	228	+6	..	4.4	21.8
28	7½	Greycoat	25	-1			
154	101	HK Land	152	+2	..	4.2	20.0
84	35	Hambro Cntyw	79	..	0.5	0.8	..
403	257½	Hammerson	399	+3	10.0	3.1	40.4
663	245	-do- 'A'	369	..	10.0	3.4	37.3
253	127	Helical Bar	252	+2	..	2.4	9.1
35	19	Hemingway	35	+1			
132	56	Herring Baker	58	+1	3.7	..	14.6
153	33	Jermyn	138				
703	435	Land Sec	703	+9	22.8	4.1	21.2
111	73	Lon Merch Sec	99	..	4.0	5.1	15.4
4½	1½	Lon & Metro	3				
510	315½	MEPC	510	+5	..	4.9	21.9
9	5	McInerney A	7½				
140	90	McKay Secs	140	..	3.5	3.1	19.2
5½	3	Marlneath	5½	..	0.5	..	..
56	12	Merivale Mre	54	-1			
7	5	Merlin Intl	5				
46	29	Moorfield Est	40				
1300	775	Mountview	1175	..	20.0	2.1	11.7
169	112	Mucklow (A&J)	164	..	6.1	4.7	∞
46	30	Olives Prop	35	..	1.5	5.4	..
10½	3½	Ossory Est	9½	+½	0.1	..	1.7
168	88	PSIT	168	+3	4.1	3.1	33.5
328	138	Peel	328	+3	4.0	1.5	..
16	5	Power Corp	5½				
48	22	Property Trust	38	-1	..	..	10.8
75	42	Raglan	51	+1			
29	11	Regalian	21½				
135	110	Rowlinson Secs	135	..	..	1.5	1.4 35.9
48	16	St Modwen Prp	48	..	..	0.6	1.6 36.6
70	39	Savills	64	..	..	2.0	25.3
113	34	Scot Met	107	-6	1.5	..	..
105	39	Shaftesbury	102				
15½	5	Shield	11½	..	..	..	6.0
269	139½	Slough Estates	269	+5	..	3.8	18.8
85	56	Southend Prop	83	..	..	3.6	..
37	16	Stanhope Prps	36				
206	114	Tops Ests	206	+5	2.1	1.3	73.4
129	79	Town Centre	129	+1	3.1	3.0	24.1
84	43	Trafford Park	77	..	2.8	4.5	∞
56	17	UK Land	39	+1½			
12	4	Union Square	8				
258	180	Warner	258	..	10.5	5.3	22.8
218	168	Warnford	218	..	7.5	4.3	16.0
8	2	Waterglade	2½				
90	34	Wates	79	+2	0.7	..	..
76	40	Wood John D	73				

SHOES, LEATHER

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
18	11	Automagic	14	..	..	1.8	40.6
183	84	Headlam	180	..	..	..	8.2
500	315	Lambert	336	..	13.0	4.9	16.0
100	44	Pittards	56	..	2.0	..	..
30	20	Strong & Fisher	26	..	1.0	4.8	7.2
187	89	Stylo	184	..	..	2.0	70.4
66	53	UK Safety	65	+1	..	9.8	2.1

TEXTILES

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
516	408	Allied Text	514	..	12.6	3.1	16.5
69	54	Beckman (A)	61	-1	3.5	7.6	∞
41	21	Bolton Gp	41	+1	..	..	30.9
170	141	Br Mohair	163	..	8.5	6.5	15.3
53	15	Chartwell	38				
364	298	Claremont Ga	345	+5	7.2	2.6	21.5
601	522	Courtauld Text	541	..	13.6	3.1	14.8
53½	24½	Cupid	30				
248½	188	Dawson	193	-2	..	5.8	14.7
47	22	Drummond	47				
82	65	Faupel	82	..	..	7.5	12.7
34	15	Foster (John)	20				
133	82	Gaskell	123	..	4.2	4.3	..
223	156	Hicking Pntcst	220	..	..	2.3	17.1
90	45	Jerome (S)	86	-1			
385	249	Lamont	384	..	12.0	3.9	25.2
515	353½	Leeds	499	..	..	1.8	34.1
64	15	Lister	62	..	..	0.1	0.2
122	73	Lyles (S)	80	..	..	3.3	5.2 ∞
200	89	Magellan	198	+1	..	1.4	0.9
171	69	Parkland 'A'	168	+1	2.0	1.5	..
102½	82	Readicut	97½	..	..	4.4	18.4
66	35	SEET	54	-1			
147	72	Sirdar	147	..	..	4.7	9.9
72	44	Stirling Gp	68	+1	1.8	3.4	16.7
51	37	Stoddard	47	..	..	4.0	43.7
312	250	Tomkinsons	299	..	11.5	4.8	25.8
62½	32½	West Trust	39	..	2.5	8.0	∞
208½	126	Yorklyde	178	..	..	3.7	11.7

TOBACCOS

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
507	407	BAT	466	+7	..	5.0	14.0
743	584½	Rothmans 'B'	634	+11	11.5	2.3	12.6

TRANSPORT

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
499	349	Assoc Br Ports	482	..	..	2.2	..
882	707	BAA	877	+4	..	2.3	21.8
376½	249	Br Airways	375½	+7½	..	3.5	20.7
110	56	Clarkson (H)	96	-4	1.5	2.0	..
23	23	Davies Newman	23				
515	332	Eurotunnel Uts	494	+2			
82	44	Fisher (James)	80	..	1.0	1.6	21.5
211	147	IoM Steam	207	..	..	4.8	10.9
38	24	Jacobs (JI)	36	..	0.5	1.7	..
96	41	Lon O'Seas Frts	91	..	..	1.5	16.7
425	280	Mersey Docks	415	-3	9.0	2.9	26.6
271	181	Natl Express	244	..	..	3.6	25.2
284	230	NFC	274	+2	6.5	3.0	20.8
339	244	Ocean Group	328	..	..	5.5	..
73	40	Ocean Wilson	63	..	4.0	7.9	11.4
676	504	P & O Dfd	592	+10	..	6.4	32.1
178	127	P & O 5 1/2%	178	+5	..	3.0	..
570	448	Powell Duffryn	578	+1	..	4.9	22.4
200	117	Seacon	200	+1	..	3.2	12.6
161	112	Stagecoach	160	..	..	3.0	∞
63	31½	TNT	61½	+½			
773	624	Tibbet & Britn	698	..	11.8	2.1	26.8
382	116	Tiphook	123	-46	..	19.6	..
298	227	TDG	256	..	..	4.6	8.5

WATER

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
553	455	Anglian Water	540	-1	..	4.8	11.0
347	244	Mid Kent Hdgs	347	+4	..	3.8	12.8
661	547	Northumbrian	655	-1	..	4.3	6.7
538	431½	North West	531	-5	..	5.0	9.5
564	439	Severn Trent	551	-1	..	4.8	8.8
583	454	Sthrn Water	568	-5	..	4.7	9.5
1605	1225	Sth Staffs	1525	..	47.0	3.9	10.9
589	465	South West	581	-5	..	5.1	9.5
563	454	Thames Water	555	-1	..	4.7	10.9
647	506	Welsh Water	635	-10	..	4.6	6.4
661	536	Wessex Water	651	-4	..	4.1	9.8
593	473½	Yorkshire W	564	-1	..	4.7	9.6

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
106	100	Treas 13¼% 1993	100	...	13.63	5.75
102	100	Treas 8½% 1994	100	-⅛	8.43	5.57
109	103	Treas 14½% 1994	103	-⅛	14.01	5.48
109	104	Exch 13½% 1994	104	-⅛	12.95	5.50
109	102	Treas 10% 1994	102	-⅛	9.72	5.53
109	102	Exch 12¼% 1994	105	-⅛	11.81	5.45
110	105	Treas 9% 1994	103	..	8.69	5.49
109	110	Treas 12% 1995	108	..	11.11	5.47
111	108	Gas 3% 1990-95	97	..	3.07	4.56
97	94	Exch 10¼% 1995	107	..	9.52	5.57
109	107	Treas 12¾% 1995	113	..	11.22	5.70
116	113	Treas 14% 1996	117	..	11.95	5.80
120	117	Treas 15¼% 1996	121	..	12.51	5.90
125	121	Exch 13¼% 1996	117	..	11.30	5.92
120	115	Conv 10% 1996	110	+⅛	9.02	6.06
111	109	Treas 13¼% 1997	120	+⅛	11.00	6.20
122	116	Exch 10½% 1997	112	+⅛	9.30	6.16
113	110	Treas 8¾% 1997	108	+⅛	8.05	6.18
109	105	Exch 15% 1997	130	+⅛	11.53	6.30
132	127	Exch 9¾% 1998	112	+⅛	8.67	6.34
112	109	Treas 7¼% 1998	103	+⅛	6.98	6.24
103	97	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	101	..	6.67	5.99
101	125	Treas 14% 1998-01	128	+⅛	10.89	6.67

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
138	133	Treas 15½% 1998	137½	+⅛	11.28	6.55
123	118	Exch 12% 1998	122	+⅛	9.78	6.65
113½	108	Treas 9½% 1999	113	+⅛	8.39	6.47
125	120	Exch 12¼% 1999	124	+⅛	9.80	6.70
118	112	Treas 10½% 1999	117	+⅛	8.90	6.66
118	112	Conv 10¼% 1999	117	+⅛	8.70	6.63
113	106	Conv 9% 2000	112	+⅛	8.00	6.54
133	125	Treas 13% 2000	132	+⅛	9.80	6.86
118	109	Treas 10% 2001	118	+⅛	8.47	6.81
119	109	Treas 9¾% 2002	118	+⅛	8.23	6.91
108	97	Treas 8% 2003	108	+⅛	7.39	6.81
122	109	Treas 10% 2003	121	+⅛	8.24	6.97
125	116	Treas 11½% 2001-04	125	+⅛	9.19	7.08
81	67	Fund 3½% 1999-04	80	+⅛	4.33	5.93
119	105	Conv 9½% 2004	118	+⅛	7.99	7.00
119	105	Conv 9½% 2005	119	+⅛	7.97	7.03
137	124	Treas 12½% 2003-05	136	+⅛	9.14	7.28
107	94	Treas 8% 2002-06	106	+⅛	7.52	7.04
130	118	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	129	+⅛	9.04	7.24
112	97	Treas 8½% 2007	112	+⅛	7.58	7.09
145	131	Treas 13½% 2004-08	144	+⅛	9.31	7.28

LONGS (over 15 years)

1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
117½	101½	Treas 9% 2008	117	+⅛	7.69	7.12
108	92	Treas 8% 2009	107	+⅛	7.41	7.15
118½	100	Conv 9% 2011	118	+⅛	7.62	7.16
118	100	Treas 9% 2012	118	+⅛	7.58	7.16
87	70	Treas 5½% 2008-12	87	+⅛	6.32	6.73
106½	89	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	106½	+⅛	7.27	7.09
108½	93	Treas 8% 2013	108½	+⅛	7.35	7.15
149	125	Exch 12% 2013-17	148	+⅛	8.07	7.32
117	97	Treas 8¾% 2017	117	+⅛	7.42	7.16

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1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
48	38	War Ln 3½%	48	+⅛	7.23	...
34½	27	Treas 2½%	34	+⅛	7.35	...

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1993 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
135½	131½	Treas IL 2% 1994	135	...	1.51	2.36
200	194	Treas IL 2% 1996	200	+⅛	1.93	2.54
110½	105	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	110	+⅛	2.63	2.98
170	150	Treas IL 2½% 2001	169½	+⅛	2.76	3.05
166	155	Treas IL 2½% 2003	166	+⅛	2.79	3.07
113	105	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	113	+⅛	2.78	3.00
177	159	Treas IL 2% 2006	177	+⅛	2.93	3.12
161	144	Treas IL 2½% 2009	161	+⅛	2.95	3.13
168	148	Treas IL 2½% 2011	168	+⅛	2.99	3.15
139	122	Treas IL 2½% 2013	139	+⅛	3.01	3.16
150	130	Treas IL 2½% 2016	150	+⅛	3.06	3.19
145	124	Treas IL 2½% 2020	145	+⅛	3.06	3.16
122	102	Treas IL 2½% 2024	122	+⅛	3.06	3.18
122	103	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	122	+⅛		

Source: Fintel

▲ USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; † Ex rights issue; ↓ Ex all; § Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.

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	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0345 717373				
Masterfund	129.60	138.60	+1.60	1.34
International	100.70	107.10	+1.70	.47
Dividend Gth	61.25	65.15	-0.93	4.31
Global Gth Sec	63.71	67.77	+0.10	2.80
Ethical Growth	70.38	74.87	+1.20	2.43
High Inc Equity	163.30	173.70†	+2.20	4.53
Worldwide Bond	271.80	288.10	-3.70	3.64
Gilts Fixed Int	136.20	144.40†	+0.70	5.54
ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ 0224 633070 Dealing: 0800 833580 30 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ 071 374 6881				
Amer Inc Gth	44.62	47.09†	-1.19	0.67
European	93.73	99.40	+2.36	...
European Inc	89.36	94.89†	+0.53	1.58
Exempt	956.00	1002.6†	+16.30	3.81
Extra Inc	50.36	54.71†	+0.94	4.78
F East Emerg Ec	96.85	104.20	+2.10	0.62
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon, SN1 1EL 0793 514514 Dealing: 0793 610366				
High Inc	414.10	442.60†	+9.00	3.57
Equity Inc	233.90	250.00	-5.10	3.50
High Yield	259.90	277.70	-5.60	3.43
Balanced	684.90	732.10	+12.90	2.34
American Inc	49.94	53.38	-1.17	3.02
Wld Asset Val	44.33	47.38†	+0.62	0.51
Japan	217.40	231.90	-1.10	0.01
Secs of Am	415.90	442.20	-6.70	0.57
AXA EQUITY & LAW St George's Hse, Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1QD. 0203 553231				
UK Growth Acc	340.60	362.40	+2.00	2.49
-do- Inc	241.30	256.80	+5.00	2.49
Higher Inc Acc	639.50	680.40	-14.10	3.47
-do- Inc	388.50	413.40	+8.60	3.47
Gilt/Fxd Int Acc	188.10	198.60†	+0.80	5.90
-do- Inc	96.14	101.50†	+0.40	5.90
Nth America	255.20	271.50	-5.90	...
Far East	337.10	358.70	+3.80	0.09
Europe	253.30	269.50†	+1.20	0.86
General Inc	457.00	486.20†	+8.40	2.31
-do- Acc	506.80	539.20†	+9.30	2.31
Brit Excell	69.08	73.44	+1.23	2.56
Brit Fndmtls Inc	73.88	78.60†	-1.55	4.35
Brit Fndmtls Acc	97.00	103.20†	-2.00	4.35
BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD Gredley Hse, 1-11 Broadway, London E15 081 534 5544				
Capital	114.00	121.90	+1.90	2.76
Euro Gth Inc	128.70	136.60	+1.30	0.62
Extra Inc	114.80	122.80†	-0.90	4.34
General	261.30	279.40†	+4.50	2.75
Gilt Fxd Inc	61.73	63.81†	+0.28	7.93
Income	526.70	563.30	+8.40	4.11
BARING FUND MANAGERS PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 081 658 9002				
American Gth	95.09	100.90	-2.40	0.10
Amer Smllr Cos	127.70	136.50	-4.10	...
Convertibles	56.52	60.44†	+0.07	6.20
Eastern	216.50	233.20	-7.90	1.60
Equity Income	90.78	96.57	-1.31	6.20
European Gth	261.70	279.30	+2.70	1.50
Europe	172.50	184.20	+1.60	1.50
Exempt	89.71	92.12	+1.69	3.40
German Growth	70.23	74.73	-2.64	0.70
Global Growth	117.10	125.10	+0.40	...
Japan Growth	211.70	226.90	+3.40	...
Japan Sunrise	186.00	199.30	+1.90	...
Portfolio	128.50	137.20	+1.90	3.20
-do- Acc	230.90	246.80	+3.40	3.20
UK Growth	90.29	96.05	+1.49	2.80
UK Smaller Cos	91.63	98.00	-0.97	1.90
Select Managers	69.96	74.84	+0.84	2.00
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MANAGERS LTD 190 West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA 041 332 3132				
Balan Gth Acc	113.60	121.50	+2.08	1.54
-do- Inc	102.62	109.75†	+1.79	1.54
Global Bond	30.97	32.85	-0.14	5.00
High Yield Acc	59.92	64.09	+1.13	2.98
-do- Inc	42.66	45.62†	+0.80	2.98
Smlr Cos Acc	103.44	110.63	+0.05	1.25
-do- Inc	95.07	101.68	+0.03	1.25
Amer Gth Acc	64.85	69.36	-2.07	...
-do- Inc	63.64	68.07†	-2.03	...
Euro Gth Acc	116.13	124.21	+1.26	0.81
-do- Inc	113.76	121.76†	+1.11	0.81
Mngd P folio	39.47	42.21†	+0.24	1.39
Pacific Growth	115.49	123.52	+2.64	0.02
Intl Spec Opps	104.80	112.09	+2.62	1.06
BROWN SHIPLEY 9/17 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	144.60	154.00†	-2.80	2.72
Smaller Cos Acc	326.30	352.40	+4.60	...
Smaller Cos Inc	189.80	205.00†	+2.70	1.06
High Inc	77.69	83.12†	+1.03	6.30
Income	135.20	144.70†	+1.40	3.80
Mngd P folio Inc	99.70	106.20	+0.60	1.87
-do- Acc	189.70	202.10	+1.10	...
North American	112.50	119.80	-0.70	0.18
Orient	142.30	153.30	+1.90	...
Recovery	45.81	49.24	+0.49	2.27
German	47.87	51.33	+1.34	0.08
Intl Growth	37.96	40.43	+0.04	0.19
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD PO Box 105, Manchester M60 0AH 061 837 5060				
Environ	143.60	152.80	+0.90	1.56
UK Growth	157.60	167.70	-2.50	1.99
UK Income	131.80	140.30†	+1.90	4.01
CANNON LINCOLN FUND MANAGERS 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876				
SE Asia	100.90	107.90	+2.90	0.93
Growth	47.40	50.70	+0.94	3.29
Income	58.99	63.09	+1.21	3.77
Far East	52.95	56.63	+0.38	...
North American	94.67	101.80	-3.40	...
Global	94.90	101.50	+0.20	0.45
European	79.69	85.21	+1.21	0.92
Japan	120.90	129.30	-0.60	0.01
Intl Currency Bd	60.46	64.07	-0.70	5.94
UK Cap Gwth	87.22	93.28	-2.20	2.01
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF Enquiries: 061 236 5685 Dealing: 061 236 5362				
Capability Trusts				
American Gen	137.70	146.50†	-2.90	0.06
-do- Acc	146.30	155.70	-3.10	0.06
European	72.48	76.70†	+0.84	0.80
-do- Acc	75.61	80.02	+0.88	0.80
Far East Gen	69.40	73.84	+0.84	...
-do- Acc	69.40	73.84	+0.84	...
Smaller Cos	72.62	77.26†	+0.90	1.68
-do- Acc	81.99	87.23	+1.02	1.68
Growth	407.60	436.00†	+6.40	2.25
-do- Acc	706.80	756.00	+11.20	2.25
Income Growth	408.60	434.70	+8.50	3.57
-do- Acc	555.10	590.60	+11.50	3.57
Master Portfolio	10254.0	10648.0	+85.00	2.10
-do- Acc	12018.0	12480.0†	+175.0	2.10
Special Sits	93.19	99.14	+0.38	2.21
-do- Acc	110.16	117.20	+0.46	2.21
Exempt Fund				
High Yield	1326.0	1368.0	+27.00	4.02
-do- Acc	1565.0	1614.0	+32.00	4.02

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
CAPEL (JAMES) UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU 071 955 5050. Dealing: 071 955 5055				
American Index	193.20	205.90	-5.20	1.60
Capital	575.20	613.90†	+5.30	2.18
Eurotrack 100	146.60	156.20	+2.10	1.32
Euro Gth	93.40	99.62	+1.34	0.85
Far East Growth	102.20	109.10	+0.90	...
Global Bond	23.98	25.28	-0.34	5.61
Hong Kong	91.99	98.18	+2.17	0.61
Income	549.40	586.30†	+3.20	3.90
Intl Growth	77.28	82.48	-0.66	0.17
Japan Growth	295.10	314.90†	-3.70	...
Japan Smllr Cos	38.33	40.81	-0.14	...
Japan Index	84.22	89.88	+0.16	0.23
Nth American	441.90	471.60	-13.90	0.17
S'pore Mly Gth	69.36	74.02	-1.71	...
The Footsie Fd	115.60	122.10	+2.40	2.52
Tiger Index	167.40	178.70†	+4.50	0.55
Trixie Index	112.30	119.90†	+1.00	2.10
UK Index	132.90	141.80	+2.50	2.80
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708				
American P folio	87.97	93.99	-0.33	1.01
European P folio	83.21	88.86†	+1.93	0.88
Japanese P folio	71.65	76.18	-0.47	...
Pacific P folio	119.73	128.75	-2.79	0.93
Cazenove P folio	78.13	83.54	+0.70	2.44
UK Income Gth	70.48	75.49†	+1.34	4.29
Utility & Bond	57.32	57.73	-0.90	7.00
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND 2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Investment Fd	646.95	653.15	-5.00	4.56
Fixed Int	164.20	164.40	-1.40	8.82
Deposit	5.60	...	...	...
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND 2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Income	639.88	644.49	-10.49	4.64
-do- Acc	2542.4	2570.7	-56.31	...
Deposit	5.60	...	...	...
Fxd Int Inc	133.50	133.83	-0.96	8.67
-do- Acc	184.80	185.27	+0.15	...
CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge, SE1 071 407 5966				
City Fin Assets	67.11	70.64†	+0.15	2.14
Beckman Intl	90.86	95.93	-0.38	2.75
Friars Hse Inc	196.34	207.77	+0.03	5.67
Friars Hse Cap	267.74	283.32	+2.72	2.59
COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ. Enquiries: 081 686 2222 Dealing: 081 686 9818				
OTHER CU TRUSTS (NON PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	91.50	91.50†	+0.02	4.98
Deposit Fund Acc	93.50	93.50	+0.08	4.98
Quilter Fund	129.31	137.56	+2.79	2.16
Quilter Fund Acc	145.09	154.35	+3.14	2.16
CREDIT SUISSE INVESTMENT FUNDS (UK) LTD Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7JJ. 071 247 4542 Dealing: 071 247 7474				
Fellowship Tst	65.80	70.01	+0.91	1.91
-do- Acc	74.67	79.44	+1.03	1.91
Income Fund S	230.80	245.60	+3.80	3.66
-do- Acc	537.10	571.40	+8.80	3.66
Inv Portfolio	72.05	74.67	+1.14	2.12
-do- Acc	82.10	85.08	+1.29	2.01
Smaller Cos	137.40	146.20	+1.30	1.42
-do- Acc	166.20	176.90	+1.60	1.42
High Inc P folio	65.81	68.20	+0.95	4.06
EAGLE STAR UNIT MANAGERS Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555				
Oriental Op Acc	98.42	104.70†	+4.00	0.76
Japanese Acc	67.50	71.81†	+0.18	...
UK Balncd Inc	134.60	143.20	+1.70	2.40
-do- Acc	158.80	168.90	+2.00	2.40
UK Growth Acc	216.20	230.00	+1.90	1.95
UK High Inc	147.00	156.40	+2.30	5.66
-do- Acc	177.90	189.30	+2.80	5.66
N America Acc	116.10	123.50	-3.80	0.22
European Acc	174.90	186.10	+1.30	0.52
UK Pref F/I Inc	62.90	66.71	+0.31	6.60
-do- Acc	103.50	109.80	+0.50	6.60
Intl Sp Sits Acc	51.99	55.31†	+0.46	0.20
Environmntl Opp	76.79	81.69†	+1.17	1.50
EDINBURGH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Donaldson House, 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD. 031 313 1000				
American	115.10	122.30	-3.70	0.41
UK Smlr Cos	216.90	230.50	-0.30	1.08
Eurofund	41.85	44.29	+0.55	0.90
Mngd Exempt	178.60	186.10	+0.70	2.82
Growth Inc	229.60	242.90	+3.20	3.09
High Dist	157.90	167.80	+2.70	4.47
International	353.20	375.30	+4.50	0.87
Intl Income	87.45	93.35†	-0.07	2.79
Pacific	67.74	71.97†	+2.32	0.42
Smllr Jap Cos	81.39	86.48	-0.15	...
Tokyo	223.90	237.90†	+1.20	...
Japan Exempt	126.30	129.70	-0.10	0.39
Sm Jap Exempt	642.70	660.30	-1.50	0.08
Equity Income	131.00	139.20†	+2.00	3.59
Formerly Target				
Euro Spec Sits	155.60	164.70	+1.50	0.46
Financial	46.95	49.88†	+1.25	2.39
Global Opps Inc	95.31	101.10	-0.60	0.99
-do- Acc	98.79	104.80	-0.60	0.99
Gold Gen Inc	49.26	51.87	+0.25	0.58
-do- Acc	94.55	99.57	+0.49	0.58
Japan General	173.60	184.50	-0.40	...
Preference	24.11	25.62	+0.27	7.10
Worldwide Cap	215.00	228.40	+2.30	1.75
World Income	...	...	...	...
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT 41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261				
Endurance	189.40	201.50†	+0.90	0.96
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP21 7QW 0296 431480				
Pelican	112.19	118.09†	-0.93	3.24
High Income	133.24	140.35	+2.67	4.44
Tst of Inv Tsts	168.61	177.48	+2.45	2.13
Special Sits	87.89	92.52†	+1.13	2.17
North American	109.03	114.77†	-2.04	1.04
Far Eastern	274.12	288.55	+3.99	1.39
Intl Growth	102.29	107.67	+1.09	1.36
European	71.40	75.16	+1.43	1.85
Smaller Cos	73.74	77.62	+0.68	2.02
FAMILY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD 16 West Street, Brighton, BN1 2RE 0273 220 707				
United Charities	238.70	253.90	...	3.79
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ. 0800 414181				
Cash Unit Tst	100.00	100.00	...	5.30
European Tst	147.00	156.30†	+2.40	...
High Income	27.33	28.76†	+0.20	5.67

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FOREIGN & COLONIAL 8th Floor, Exchange Hse, Primrose St, London EC2A 2NY. 071 628 8000				
European	103.90	109.80	+0.40	0.48
Far Eastern	145.90	156.00†	-3.50	...
High Income	23.90	25.43†	+0.27	10.00
Oseas Income	96.33	102.90	...	3.04
UK Growth	102.60	109.70	+1.40	1.15
UK Income	109.80	117.30	+2.00	4.12
US Smaller Cos	292.90	313.30†	+1.00	...
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT 155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FF 071 374 4100				
Amer Gth	52.28	55.50	-0.86	...
-do- Acc	52.28	55.50	-0.86	...
Am Smllr Co	465.70	498.00	-6.60	...
-do- Acc	475.70	508.70	-6.80	...
Capital	301.20	320.30†	+2.00	1.63
-do- Acc	423.50	450.40†	+2.70	1.63
Contl Smllr Cos	50.93	54.64	-0.05	0.89
-do- Acc	53.24	57.12	-0.05	0.89
Convertible	128.30	136.40	-0.20	5.28
-do- Acc	243.40	258.90	-0.40	5.28
Emg Mark	62.07	66.31	+0.68	...
-do- Acc	62.07	66.31	+0.68	...
European	107.20	114.30	+0.80	0.60
-do- Acc	111.80	119.20	+0.80	0.60
Extra Income	322.60	343.10	+4.90	3.61
-do- Acc	461.90	491.30	+6.90	3.61
Financial	120.70	129.00	+1.40	0.17
-do- Acc	126.30	135.00	+1.40	0.17
Health Fund Inc	125.70	134.20	-1.10	...
-do- Acc	125.70	134.20	-1.10	...
Income Tst	194.30	206.60	+2.40	3.51
-do- Acc	275.30	292.80	+3.40	3.51
Intl Growth	349.40	373.20	-3.40	...
-do- Acc	388.00	414.40	-3.80	...
Japan Gen	199.30	213.00	-1.50	...
-do- Acc	201.30	215.10	-1.50	...
Mngd P folio Inc	99.18	104.40†	+0.90	0.79
-do- Acc	104.40	109.80†	+1.00	0.79
Monthly Income	163.80	174.20	-0.20	3.68
Qnty Inc	54.16	57.61	+0.50	5.26
-do- Acc	54.93	58.42	+0.51	5.26
Recovery	323.10	345.50	+4.70	0.26
-do- Acc	379.60	405.90	+5.60	0.26
UK Growth	49.86	53.23	+1.26	2.43
-do- Acc	49.86	53.23	+1.26	2.43
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts, SP1 3SH Dealing: 0722 411411 Admin: 0722 411622				
Equity Dist	373.31	397.14	+6.64	2.80
-do- Acc	762.29	810.95	+13.54	2.80
Euro Gth Dist	120.29	127.97	+0.97	0.62
-do- Acc	124.93	132.90	+1.00	0.62
Fixed Int Dist	139.35	147.40†	+0.98	5.76
-do- Acc	238.48	253.25†	+1.63	5.76
Intl Gth Dist	84.30	89.89	-1.78	0.55
-do- Acc	87.72	93.32	-1.85	0.55
Nth Amer Dist	175.13	185.52	-4.36	0.59
-do- Acc	190.87	202.19	-4.75	0.59
Pac Basin Dist	275.72	293.32	+3.92	0.01
-do- Acc	280.98	298.92	+4.00	0.01
Stewardship Dist	322.30	342.87	+4.14	1.92
-do- Acc	384.30	408.83	+4.94	1.92
Stwd Inc Dist	69.48	73.92	+0.67	3.13
-do- Acc	86.35	92.07	-0.82	3.13
N Am Stwd Dist	99.94	106.32	-1.87	...
-do- Acc	105.72	112.47	-1.98	...
GT UNIT MANAGERS Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, London EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567 Dealing: 071 626 9431				
Am Sp Sits	141.10	150.90	-2.70	...
European	465.60	494.90	+7.20	1.46
Far East General	256.80	274.50	...	0.26
Germany	114.10	120.80†	+3.30	...
Global Assets In	78.36	84.06	+1.49	0.89
Global Assets Ac	83.39	88.89	+1.58	0.89
Income Inc	142.00	151.90†	+3.30	5.19
International	314.80	336.30	-1.40	0.70
Intl Income	83.50	88.62	-0.19	3.99
Japan General	409.50	435.80	-3.80	...
Smllr Cos Div	51.08	54.64	+0.47	5.32
UK Capital Inc	179.00	191.50	+1.30	1.83
-do- Acc	308.80	330.30	+2.20	1.83
UK Spec Sits	84.70	90.59†	+2.87	0.41
US General	127.00	135.10	-2.90	0.23
W'wide Spec Sits	139.50	148.70	+1.20	0.11
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS Gartmore House, 16/18 Monument Street, London EC3R 8AJ. 071 623 1212 Dealing: 0277 264421. Services: 0800 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	48.47	51.84	+0.64	2.04
Cash Trust*	130.62	130.62†	+0.09	4.84
Pract Inv Inc	110.00	117.85†	+1.05	3.74
-do- Acc	242.40	259.71†	+2.31	3.74
UK Smaller Cos	107.99	115.81†	+0.29	1.70
Income Funds				
Preference Share	27.80	29.73	+0.07	7.87
High Inc	34.85	37.22	+0.50	4.72
UK Equity Inc	139.26	148.94	+2.12	3.59
Global Bond	30.22	31.37†	-0.23	4.43
International Funds				
Gold Intl	91.74	98.38	+4.30	1.04
Frontier Markets	47.71	51.16	-0.25	0.04
Global Inc Gth	127.01	135.29†	-1.53	3.62
UK Intl	129.82	138.84	+2.43	0.86
Overseas Funds				
American	133.89	142.96	-2.50	0.48
European	91.24	96.71	+1.05	0.94
Euro Sel Opps	111.48	118.55	+1.52	0.62
American Emerg	93.82	100.61	-0.48	...
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR. 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 588 0526				
Intl Growth	138.99	148.65	-0.06	0.32
American Gth	143.77	153.76	-1.62	...
European Gth	72.72	77.65	-0.16	0.72
Japan Gth	85.65	91.58	-0.06	...
Greater China	154.00	164.70	+0.21	1.23
Pacific Strategy	141.18	150.99	+1.42	0.24
UK Prog Inc	81.98	87.36†	+2.19	4.35
British Growth	52.89	55.84	+1.12	2.22
UK Small Cos	46.47	49.70	-1.75	1.32
GRE UNIT MANAGERS 36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE 071 538 9668				
Cash	132.80	132.80	+0.10	4.33
Gilt Fixed	131.90	140.00	+1.20	4.60
Growth Equity	312.60	333.90	+4.60	1.99
Guardhill	457.50	486.70	+5.30	2.10
Income Trust	121.00	129.20	+2.80	3.22
International	172.10	183.80†	+0.40	0.05
Japan Trust	134.00	143.10	-0.20	...
Nth American	268.10	286.40	-6.40	0.26
Pacific	454.30	485.30	+19.40	...
European	398.40	425.60	+4.10	0.33
HALIFAX STANDARD TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD PO Box 600, Edinburgh EH15 1EW 0800 838868				
Global Adv Inc	37.70	39.97	+0.57	1.43
-do- Acc	39.72	42.11	+0.60	1.43
Inc Adv Inc	31.76	33.67†	+0.50	3.66
-do- Acc	33.62	35.64	+0.52	3.66
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690390				
Canadian	80.72	86.47	+1.18	0.47
Equity Income	123.80	131.70†	+2.10	3.22
European	146.10	154.50	-1.90	1.04
Intl Situation	80.63	85.76	+0.06	...
Japanese	151.40	160.60	+0.40	...
North American	95.85	101.70	-3.10	...
Scandinavian	132.10	140.30†	+4.40	...
Smaller Cos	32.97	35.07	+0.93	1.62

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HENDERSON PO Box 2157, Kings House, 101-135 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET Enq: 0277 263290 Dealing: 0277 234772				
Amer Smaller	99.71	106.58	-1.58	...
Asian Enterprise	151.16	161.65	+4.09	0.35
European	427.36	452.55	+4.83	0.58
European Inc	77.66	82.13	+0.49	2.64
Euro Smll Co	129.95	138.07	+0.08	0.55
Extra Income	281.41	299.58†	+5.17	5.26
Family of Funds	77.40	82.55	+1.00	0.53
Global Bond	58.71	62.45†	-0.04	6.56
High Inc	317.08	338.95	+5.84	3.78
Income Gth	260.63	277.57	+4.58	3.15
-do- Acc	674.15	717.96	+11.83	3.15
International	248.61	265.06†	+0.15	0.50
Japan Spec Sit	260.95	277.81†	+0.80	...
Japan	227.62	242.47	+2.02	...
N Amer	230.10	245.00	-4.38	...
Pacific Smllr Cos	219.81	233.83†	+3.61	0.16
Prof Gilt	49.53	53.23	+0.19	7.66
Special Sits	277.43	296.85†	+1.65	1.53
-do- Acc	430.12	460.22	+2.54	1.53
Best of British	60.13	64.27	+1.13	2.15
Henderson TR				
Euro Spec Sits	52.52	55.99†	+0.29	0.77
-do- Acc	56.09	59.79	+0.31	0.77
Global Tech	141.60	151.44	-1.78	...
Special Opps	115.63	124.39	+1.36	1.34
HILL SAMUEL UT MANAGERS NLA Tower Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
British	94.15	100.60	+1.86	2.07
Capital	163.50	174.80	+2.00	1.79
Dollar	326.30	346.80	-7.80	0.01
European	214.90	229.80	+1.60	0.55
Far East	270.20	288.90	+4.20	0.22
Financial	801.70	857.40†	+22.20	1.75
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	27.82	28.90	+0.23	7.16
High Yield	111.70	119.40	+1.80	4.10
Income	147.20	157.40	+3.30	3.03
Intl	226.90	242.60	-0.70	0.18
Japan Tech	75.57	80.82	+0.34	...
Nat Resources	60.93	65.16	+0.96	0.44
Security	315.50	337.40†	+2.70	1.82
Smaller Cos	119.10	127.30	+0.50	1.12
Special Sits	145.10	155.10†	-1.70	1.53
US Smaller Cos	76.38	81.68	-4.16	...
INVESCO FUND MANAGERS LTD 11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR 071 626 3434 Dealing: 0800 010733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Smaller Cos	27.05	28.91	-0.70	1.21

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Special Features	30.08	31.95†	+0.50	1.91
-do- Acc	35.80	38.03†	+0.61	1.91
General Funds				
UK Growth	58.16	62.16	+1.09	1.86
Assets Earnings	75.79	80.52	+1.46	1.98
do Acc	90.45	96.10	+1.75	1.98
Managed Invest	95.38	101.70	+0.60	1.10
Rupert Children	80.77	86.09	+1.72	1.89
High Income Funds				
Cashbox	50.32	50.32†	+0.03	4.41
Extra Inc	86.98	92.90	+1.35	4.57
Gilt	29.53	31.10	+0.20	6.11
Income Gth	42.25	45.05	+0.85	3.30
MIMstar	78.83	80.59†	-2.16	7.39
Preference	18.93	20.11†	+0.08	6.16
UK Income	333.40	356.20†	+6.60	3.14
Sector Specialist Funds				
Fincl Sec	66.71	70.87	-1.27	1.05
Property Shares	74.47	80.11†	+1.72	1.21
Exempt Funds				
Exempt	158.60	166.40	+3.50	3.77
European Acc	127.40	134.90†	+1.30	1.19
European Dist	120.00	127.20†	+1.30	1.19
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Gth	49.14	52.21†	-0.95	0.82
European Perf	128.60	136.30	+1.30	0.15
-do- Acc	133.00	140.90	+1.30	0.15
Euro Small Cos	23.79	25.27†	-0.20	...
French Growth	73.27	77.84	-0.12	0.14
-do- Acc	78.27	83.16	-0.12	0.14
Hong K/China	78.04	82.91	+1.81	1.26
Intl Growth	55.21	58.66	-0.23	0.32
-do- Acc	55.21	58.66	-0.23	0.32
Japan Perf	35.85	38.06	...	...
Accum Units	35.85	38.06	...	...
Japan Smllr Cos	42.49	45.13†	-0.43	...
Singapore Amean	100.20	106.40	+1.00	...
-do- Acc	100.90	107.20	+1.10	...
South East Asia	274.50	291.40	+6.90	0.24
US Smllr Cos	112.30	119.30	-1.60	...
-do- Acc	113.50	120.50	-1.60	...
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Inc	91.22	97.22	+0.07	1.88
Intl Bond	59.08	59.81†	-0.48	5.62
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUST LTD 10 Fenchurch Street, London EC3 071 956 6600 Dealing: 071 956 7354				
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	56.81	60.44†	+1.67	6.41

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Gilt Yield	124.20	131.00†	+0.70	6.88
Global Income	214.50	228.20	-1.70	3.83
High Yield	145.30	154.60†	+4.10	3.56
Smllr Cos Div	53.86	57.30	+2.36	3.42
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	94.38	100.40	-2.21	...
North American	76.54	81.43	-2.00	0.41
European	142.60	151.70	-0.70	1.47
Euro Special	93.90	99.26	+0.20	1.40
General	278.10	295.90	+5.50	3.01
Japan	461.10	490.50	-8.10	...
Japanese Special	269.50	286.70	-2.60	...
Master Acc	234.40	249.40†	-1.30	0.86
Pacific	305.00	324.50	+2.20	0.50
Smaller Cos	105.90	112.70	-3.20	1.50
LAS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 183 Dundas St, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 5151				
European	81.41	86.61	+1.10	0.89
Extra Income	25.45	27.07†	-0.38	3.54
Far East	30.56	32.51†	+0.13	0.26
Income Gwth	76.46	81.34†	+1.32	2.83
Intl Growth	55.47	59.01†	+0.31	0.58
Japan	70.74	74.26	-1.28	...
Maximum Dist*	100.70	102.70	+0.20	6.81
N Amer Equity	38.71	41.18	-1.04	0.34
UK Equity	92.67	98.58	+1.25	2.64
LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 1 White Hart Yard, London SE1. 071 407 5966				
Income Gth Inc	55.68	59.23	+1.38	4.22
LEGAL & GENERAL UT MANAGERS 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood Essex Enq: 0277 227300. Dealing: 0277 690395				
Equity Dist	452.60	481.50†	+8.80	2.45
Equity Acc	872.40	928.10†	+16.80	2.45
Equity Income	100.10	106.50	+1.90	4.26
European	105.90	112.70	+0.80	0.94
Far Eastern	209.00	222.30†	-0.30	...
Fixed Interest	55.91	59.37†	+0.23	5.42
Gilt	95.61	101.40	-2.00	5.28
Global Growth	73.51	78.20	-0.47	0.12
Intl Bond	57.78	61.34	-0.61	4.29
Japanese	77.43	82.37	-0.96	...
Overseas Equity	107.60	114.50	+0.10	...
Pacific Gth	100.60	107.00†	+2.30	0.26
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD Mountbatten Hse, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834313				
Balanced	336.20	357.70	+5.80	2.51
-do- Acc	738.50	785.70	+12.80	2.51
Contl Euro Gth	57.09	60.10	+0.74	1.07
-do- Acc	60.38	63.56	+0.79	1.07
Extra Inc	255.40	271.80	-0.80	3.74
-do- Acc	631.30	671.60	-2.40	3.74
German Gth	119.20	125.50	-3.60	0.01
-do- Acc	125.10	131.70	-3.90	0.01
Growth Port	518.10	551.20†	-6.10	0.29
-do- Acc	521.70	555.00	-6.10	0.29
Income	488.20	519.40	+7.10	3.47
-do- Acc	1253.0	1333.0	+18.00	3.47
Income Port	517.00	550.00	+5.10	3.94
-do- Acc	524.60	558.10	+5.10	3.94
Japan Growth	109.90	117.00	-0.80	0.01
-do- Acc	110.20	117.30	-1.00	0.01
Master Trust	55.80	59.37	+0.73	1.18
-do- Acc	61.43	65.36	-0.81	1.18
N American Gen	191.50	203.80	-5.00	0.01
-do- Acc	221.10	235.30	-5.80	0.01
Natn Sm Co Rec	148.40	157.90	-4.50	0.01
-do- Acc	151.50	161.20	-4.50	0.01
Pacific Basin	243.80	259.40	-13.30	0.52
-do- Acc	257.70	274.20	+14.20	0.52
Small Cos Rec	326.90	344.20	-8.10	2.33
-do- Acc	425.60	448.00	-10.70	2.33
UK Growth	82.05	87.29	+0.01	2.16
-do- Acc	96.67	102.90	+0.10	2.16
Worldwide Gth	304.70	324.30	-1.60	0.18
LONDON & MANCHESTER Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282673				
General	83.67	89.77	+1.24	2.60
Income	65.61	70.40†	+0.56	5.10
International	60.62	65.04	-0.16	0.80
American	60.76	65.19	-1.09	0.30
Japan	58.08	62.32	+0.33	...
Tst of Inv Trusts	64.08	68.75†	+1.18	1.60
M & G SECURITIES LTD Victoria Rd, Chelmsford CM1 1FB Customer Services/Unit Dealing: 0245 390390				
American Gen	387.70	410.00	-6.10	0.81
-do- Acc	478.90	506.60	-7.50	0.81
American Rec	437.20	462.90	-2.00	0.15
-do- Acc	501.50	530.40	-2.30	0.15
Am Sm Co Acc	134.10	141.70	-0.20	...
Australia Acc	174.20	184.30	+2.80	1.14
Capital	732.20	774.30	+7.90	2.14
-do- Acc	817.80	864.80	+8.80	2.14
Commodity Acc	440.70	466.10	+1.50	0.79
Compnd Gth	895.30	946.80	+11.20	2.54
Dividend	39.20	41.50	+0.70	3.93
-do- Acc	158.40	164.30	+2.40	3.93
Equity Inc	329.40	348.30	+4.10	4.25
European Div	65.10	68.80	...	3.83
-do- Acc	75.40	79.60	...	3.83
European Gen	440.10	465.40	+1.40	0.80
-do- Acc	552.90	584.60	+1.70	0.80

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Extra Yield	413.80	437.60†	+8.80	4.00
-do- Acc	1236.3	1307.5	+20.20	4.00
Far Eastern	343.30	361.60†	+8.00	0.31
-do- Acc	452.90	478.90	+10.60	0.31
Fund of Inv	573.70	606.70	+10.40	1.97
-do- Acc	1046.4	1106.7	+19.00	1.97
General	58.80	62.20	+1.10	3.33
-do- Acc	157.30	166.40	+2.90	3.33
Gilt Fxd Int	66.73	66.83	-0.34	6.89
do Acc	170.12	170.39	-0.88	6.89
Gold	56.90	60.20	+2.10	0.82
-do- Acc	66.90	70.80	+2.50	0.82
High Inc	27.80	29.40	+0.50	4.10
-do- Acc	105.20	111.50	+2.00	4.10
Intl Growth	73.30	77.50	...	0.65
-do- Acc	126.90	134.30	+0.10	0.65
Intl Inc	98.20	103.80†	-2.70	4.27
Japan Gen Acc	54.80	57.90	-0.30	...
Japan Smllr Cos	169.00	178.70	+0.10	...
Midland	60.30	63.80	-0.30	2.84
-do- Acc	193.10	204.40	-0.90	2.84
Recovery	39.50	41.80	-0.40	2.36
-do- Acc	62.90	66.60	+0.70	2.36
Second Gen	69.10	73.10	-2.20	3.08
-do- Acc	171.30	181.30	+5.60	3.08
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD PO Box 410, Chester X. CH99 9QG 0244 680066				
Inv Port Inc	146.80	157.00	+1.50	1.95
-do- Acc	164.60	176.00	+1.80	1.95
UK Income	123.30	131.80	+2.20	2.34
-do- Acc	139.30	149.00	+2.50	2.34
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2ES. 031 229 5252				
Emerg Mkts	94.53	101.10	+1.32	0.40
Far East	149.80	159.00	-1.90	0.15
Income Growth	76.22	80.91	+0.20	2.93
European	76.41	81.11	+0.27	1.06
Nth American	58.81	62.43	-2.18	0.42
UK Growth	83.23	88.35	+1.84	1.94
Intl Growth	103.40	109.80†	...	0.32
Charities	116.90	124.10	+1.90	3.81
Intl Income	73.02	77.52†	+1.02	3.99
Japan	59.47	63.13	-1.21	...
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33 King William St, EC4R 9AS. 071 280 2860				
American	190.00	201.90	-4.70	...
-do- Acc	203.00	215.70	-5.10	...
Cash	101.00	101.00	+0.10	5.52
-do- Acc	131.20	131.20	+0.10	5.52
Emrg Mkts Acc	100.30	107.80	+0.50	...
European Gth	217.20	230.50	-3.00	0.69
-do- Acc	233.80	248.20	-3.30	0.69
General	495.80	528.90†	+8.60	2.29
-do- Acc	948.80	1012†	+16.10	2.29
Global Dist	131.20	137.90†	-1.20	5.77
-do- Acc	150.90	158.60†	-1.30	5.77
Income	150.40	160.20†	+3.00	4.25
-do- Acc	223.30	237.90†	+4.30	4.25
International	426.80	456.30	+3.60	0.61
-do- Acc	567.70	605.50	+4.80	0.61
Japan Acc	208.10	220.80	-1.90	...
New Europe	157.40	167.90	+3.10	1.55
-do- Acc	160.00	170.70	+3.20	1.55
Recovery	309.20	329.80	+4.80	2.72
-do- Acc	390.70	416.70	+6.00	2.72
European Inc	80.22	85.21	+0.94	2.86
-do- Acc	103.90	110.30	+1.10	2.86
Brit Blue Chip	76.09	81.04†	+1.12	3.11
-do- Acc	91.50	97.46†	+1.60	3.11
Portfolio	78.87	83.92†	+0.87	2.70
-do- Acc	90.52	96.31†	+1.01	2.70
Gold General	140.10	150.60	+7.30	0.62
-do- Acc	143.10	153.90	+7.30	0.62
Pacific	106.30	115.50	+2.90	0.72
-do- Acc	115.10	122.80	+3.10	0.72
MIDLAND UNIT TRUSTS LTD 192 Eyre Street, Sheffield, S1 3RD Dealing: 0742 520 200 Enquiries: 0742 529 076				
Balanced Dist	59.47	63.60†	+0.59	2.54
-do- Acc	61.12	65.37	+0.61	2.54
British Dist	81.75	87.43	+1.68	1.97
-do- Acc	92.54	98.97	+1.90	1.97
European Gth	190.40	203.60	-0.20	0.02
-do- Acc	239.10	255.70	+0.30	0.02
Extra High Inc	77.52	78.63	-0.26	5.34
-do- Acc	133.10	142.30	+1.20	5.34
FT-SE 100 Index	51.61	55.20	+1.08	2.54
-do- Acc	52.39	56.03	+1.10	2.54
Gilt Fixed Int	58.53	60.94†	+0.30	6.47
-do- Acc	158.40	164.90	-0.80	6.47
High Yield	237.90	254.40	+2.80	4.31
-do- Acc	558.50	597.30	+6.60	4.31
Income	297.70	318.40	+4.60	3.05
-do- Acc	629.40	673.20	+9.70	3.05
Japan Gth	372.40	398.30†	-1.70	...
-do- Acc	393.00	420.30	-1.70	...
Mandarin Acc	115.40	123.40	+4.40	0.73
MORGAN GRENFELL INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD 20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT Dealing: 071 826 0826 Enq: 071 826 0123				
American Gth	294.50	313.10	-6.60	...
Deposit Inc	99.87	99.87†	-0.25	4.72
Deposit Acc	124.07	124.07†	+0.09	4.72
Euro Gth Acc	324.30	346.30	+3.70	...
Europa	140.50	151.10	+2.40	...
Intl Gth	181.70	194.20	-1.50	...
Japan Tracker	81.60	86.45	+0.49	...
UK Equity Inc	164.60	177.10†	+2.70	3.74
-do- Acc	205.00	220.50†	+3.30	3.74
UK Ind Tracker	152.10	162.70	+2.40	2.96
US Eq Ind Trkr	193.10	205.80†	-4.10	1.45
-do- Acc	204.40	216.80†	-4.40	1.45
Asian Trader	187.30	203.10†	-3.00	0.38
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 7 West Nile St, Glasgow G2 2PX. 0345 090 933				
American Inc	170.40	174.50	-2.90	1.62
European	67.95	69.07†	+0.94	1.43
Olympiad	61.45	63.06	-0.22	0.19
Global Bond	49.17	49.72	-0.07	6.10
Smaller Cos	71.95	75.18	+1.13	1.18
Equity Income	97.72	100.50†	+1.72	4.47
UK Growth	88.20	90.88	-0.98	1.71
NM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD The Billon Centre, North Harbour, Portsmouth. Enquiries: 0705 372222 Dealing: 0705 387730				
American Acc	47.67	50.84	-0.74	1.16
Australian Acc	335.10	359.50	+7.10	...
Conscience	65.57	69.97	+0.73	1.20
-do- Acc	70.78	75.53	+0.80	1.20
European	184.90	196.70	+3.00	0.79
-do- Acc	198.90	211.50	+3.10	0.79
Extra Income	76.12	81.23†	+1.16	5.47
-do- Acc	118.40	126.30	+1.80	5.47
Far East Gth	190.10	203.20†	-5.40	0.02
Gilt Fxd Inc	60.96	64.33	+0.35	6.16
Gold	48.74	52.40	-3.06	...
-do- Acc	52.48	56.43	-3.30	...
Income	56.16	59.90	+0.69	4.61
-do- Acc	171.90	183.30	+2.10	4.61
International	31.82	34.03	-0.27	0.62
-do- Acc	45.72	48.89	-0.37	0.62
Jap Sm Cos Acc	386.40	412.10	-0.80	...
S'pore Mly Acc	234.30	251.20	+3.00	...
Smllr Cos Acc	27.24	29.39	-0.50	0.64
N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322				
N&P UK Growth	71.88	76.47	+1.44	2.51
N&P Gilt Fxd Int	79.02	83.62†	+1.13	5.92
N&P Higher Inc	217.30	231.30	+3.80	4.49
N&P UK Income	109.70	116.80	+2.30	3.51

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N&P Intl	94.13	100.14	+2.14	1.79
N&P Smaller Cos	78.40	83.41†	-0.11	1.53
NEWTON FUND MANAGERS 71 Queen Victoria St, London EC4V 4DR 071 332 9000				
General	178.38	189.77	+2.63	1.50
Global	316.74	336.96†	+3.68	2.86
Growth	116.57	124.02†	+2.08	1.72
Income	218.66	232.62†	+4.31	3.50
Intl Bond	137.46	145.93	-0.66	7.30
PEARL UNIT TRUST LTD PO Box 500, Peterborough PE2 6BR 0733 470470. Dealing: 0800 626577				
Growth	147.30	155.00	+2.40	2.45
-do- Acc	261.00	274.70	+4.30	2.45
Income	235.10	250.00†	+3.30	3.26
Intl Equity	237.90	253.10†	+1.40	0.75
-do- Acc	262.10	278.80	+1.50	0.75
Equity	231.70	246.50	+3.70	2.33
-do- Acc	475.10	505.40	+7.60	2.33
UK Intl 25 Acc	74.78	79.55	+1.06	1.83
UK Income	86.22	89.38	+1.09	2.84
UK Smllr Co Acc	82.26	87.51	+0.51	1.44
New Europe Acc	67.40	71.70	+0.37	0.96
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST 48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417000				
Asian Smllr Mkt	109.43	117.04	+4.01	0.17
PEP Growth	109.97	117.63	+1.51	1.22
Intl Gth	531.23	568.17	+4.69	0.32
Income	333.01	356.17†	+7.19	2.83
W wide Recov	341.87	365.64	+7.22	0.40
American Gth	220.09	235.40	-1.38	0.01
Intl Emerg Cos	212.63	227.42	+4.76	0.01
Far East Gth	246.53	263.67	+4.67	0.31
European Gth	129.20	138.19	+3.06	0.90
UK Growth	84.17	90.03	+1.55	2.56
High Income	91.96	98.36	+1.98	4.05
Japanese Gth	233.83	248.54	+2.15	0.01
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, London EC4N 8LD. Dealing: 0800 262443				
International	192.50	204.80†	+1.90	0.54
High Income	115.50	122.90	-0.10	3.47
Conv Gilt	118.30	125.80	+1.30	5.60
Far East	347.10	369.20†	-1.50	0.32
Global Inc Acc	34.10	36.28	-0.33	4.42
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT 1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. 0622 674751				
American	51.06	54.32	-1.55	0.20
Emerging Mkts	77.07	81.99	+0.67	0.48
General	50.64	53.91	+1.05	2.98
International	89.14	94.83	-0.72	1.27
Gilt Units	26.76	27.59	+0.14	6.98
Global PEP	37.56	39.96†	+0.25	1.94
Income Gth	71.77	76.35	+1.65	4.29
European	47.33	50.35	+0.31	0.60
Gilt/Fixed Int	27.36	29.11†	+0.23	5.37
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD 51/59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377. Enquiries: 071 911 4490 Intermediary Dealing: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 925891				
Pru Mngd Tst	33.99	36.24†	+0.42	1.46
Pru Csh Hvn Inc	101.44	101.94†	+0.08	4.52
-do- Acc	106.63	107.16†	+0.09	4.52
Pru Equity	692.83	740.99†	-0.23	2.41
Pru Equity Inc	85.46	91.40	+1.61	4.28
Pru European	191.93	205.27	+1.24	0.82
Pru Global Gth	84.99	90.89	+0.85	1.40
Pru High Inc	90.89	97.20†	+1.79	3.90
Pru Intl	171.39	183.30	-0.20	1.02
Pru Ind Sm Co	75.25	80.48†	+0.92	0.61
Pru Japanese	211.69	226.40†	+0.41	...
Pru Nth Amer	152.92	163.53	-3.47	0.66
Pru Pacific Mkt	90.49	96.78	+2.29	0.97
Pru Premr Inc	51.19	53.29†	-0.50	5.08
Pru Smllr Cos	87.46	93.54	+1.44	2.10
Pru Spec Sits	103.98	111.20	+2.05	2.27
Pru UK Grwth	115.69	123.73	+1.51	2.33
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8NR Dealing: 071 634 2981/4				
FA Income	168.01	179.42	+3.77	3.80
FA Japan	296.37	315.60	-2.06	...
FA Maj UK Cos	97.19	103.80	+1.40	2.36
FA America Inc	516.96	550.17	-13.39	0.93
-do- Acc	602.41	641.11	-15.61	0.93
FA Smlr UK Cos	283.24	306.46†	+1.82	1.45
FA European	274.48	290.93	+0.72	1.25
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP 16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0708 766966 or 0800 929929 (IFAs only)				
Amer Inc Gth	74.07	78.80	-1.57	3.80
Capital Units	154.30	164.10	+1.80	1.05
Commodity	109.70	116.70†	-5.10	0.67
European Gth	174.80	186.00	+1.70	1.05
Financial Sec	192.60	204.90	+3.50	1.24
High Return	225.20	239.60	+4.70	3.63
High Yield	221.40	235.50†	+4.60	3.80
Income Units	117.70	125.20	+2.00	4.39
Investment	194.40	206.80†	+2.70	0.86
Japan Gth	174.70	185.80†	-0.50	...
Japan Smaller	212.30	225.40	-1.30	...
Masterfund	50.92	54.17	+0.43	0.83
Scotbits	292.10	310.70	+3.90	0.92
Scotshares	272.50	289.90	+6.50	2.27
Scotyields	236.80	251.90†	+4.80	3.75
Select Intl	135.80	144.50†	-0.10	0.57
Smaller Cos	240.80	256.20†	+2.60	3.75
Special Situation	114.70	122.00	+1.90	0.64
UK Equity	237.60	252.80	+4.50	2.60
US Growth	143.40	152.60	-3.30	0.36
SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St, London, EC4V 4EJ. Client line: 0800 526 535 Broker line: 0800 526 540				
American	238.82	254.00	-5.04	0.69
-do- Acc	258.75	275.20	-5.46	0.69
Australian	137.78	146.96	+0.84	1.29
-do- Acc	162.80	173.65	+0.99	1.29
UK Enterprise	231.98	247.44	+3.44	2.16
-do- Acc	271.09	289.16	+4.03	2.16
European Gth	67.57	71.90	+1.01	0.97
-do- Acc	70.18	74.67	+1.04	0.97
Euro Smllr Cos	61.77	65.85	+0.13	0.34
-do- Acc	62.19	66.30	+0.13	0.34
Far Eastern Gth	81.60	87.03	+0.74	...
-do- Acc	82.91	88.44	+0.75	...
Fixed Interest	55.47	58.45†	+0.29	5.99
-do- Acc	69.70	73.45	+0.35	5.99
Gilt Income	108.72	114.59†	+0.89	7.04
-do- Acc	156.04	164.46†	+1.28	7.04
Income	345.32	368.34	+6.91	3.77
-do- Acc	1037.7	1106.9	+20.75	3.77
Japan Enterprise	71.45	76.21†	-0.87	...
-do- Acc	71.45	76.21	-0.87	...
Japan Smllr Cos	534.79	570.44	+1.30	...
-do- Acc	535.86	571.58	+1.30	...
Pacific Gth	112.08	119.55	+3.07	0.30
-do- Acc	115.41	123.10	+3.16	0.30
Smaller Cos	202.26	215.74	+0.67	0.93
-do- Acc	233.93	249.52	+0.77	0.93
Tokyo	117.98	125.84†	-1.30	...
-do- Acc	119.17	127.11	-1.31	...
UK Equity	229.47	244.76	+4.77	2.46
-do- Acc	430.80	459.51	+8.95	2.46
US Smllr Cos	147.47	157.30	-1.72	...
-do- Acc	147.47	157.30	-1.72	...
World Fd	76.48	81.57	+1.17	1.72
-do- Acc	81.29	86.70	+1.23	1.72
SCOTTISH AMICABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200				
Equity Income	50.24	53.51	+0.06	3.72
Equity Strategy	66.80	71.14	+1.25	0.94
European Opps	79.46	84.62	+0.81	3.22

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Maximum Inc	98.52	101.05	+0.11	5.38
UK Smaller Cos	58.70	62.32	-0.48	1.33
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	367.00	392.10	+7.70	2.62
American	258.10	274.10	-4.00	0.71
Pacific	371.30	397.10	+3.90	0.55
European	494.30	528.70	-5.30	1.01
Worldwide	88.25	94.38	+0.69	0.85
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT 109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100				
UK Equity	319.20	339.60	+5.30	2.38
UK Sm Cos Eqty	223.10	237.40	+3.30	1.47
European	363.20	386.40	+1.60	1.52
North American	266.10	283.10	-7.90	0.48
Income Plus Inc	71.00	75.54†	+1.08	2.70
UK Spec Sits	...	...	...	...
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD 6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 558 2341/2/3				
Equity Gth Acc	27.61	29.55†	+0.48	2.68
Intl Growth Acc	31.65	33.68†	-0.23	1.00
Market Ldrs Acc	22.53	23.47	-0.56	2.81
FOR SGTB TRUSTS SEE HENDERSON				
SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD 21 New Street, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 2HR. 071 626 6226				
European	‡110.70	...†	+1.40	...
Global Bond	‡102.40	...†	+0.30	7.35
Japan Samurai	‡100.40	...†	-1.60	...
UK Growth	‡104.50	...†	+1.30	3.80
STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393777				
Managed	47.97	50.97	+0.95	1.38
Equity Gth Acc	66.36	70.51	+1.80	1.24
UK Eq General	44.55	47.34†	+0.55	1.96
-do- Acc	59.14	62.84	+1.06	1.96
European Acc	45.79	48.66	+0.34	0.64
Far East Acc	63.06	67.01	+2.62	0.21
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	32.69	34.57†	-0.73	6.36
N American Acc	43.66	46.39	-0.60	0.70
O/S Lgr Cos Acc	299.00	324.50	+2.70	1.43
UK Eq High Inc	38.32	40.72†	-0.04	3.29
-do- Acc	46.04	48.92	+0.52	3.29
UK Lgr Cos Inc	306.80	332.90†	+2.30	3.51
UK Lgr Cos Acc	404.40	438.80	+8.30	3.51
STATE STREET UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD Birchin Court, 20 Birchin Lane, London EC3V 9AQ. 071 626 1977				
Global A	N253.82	N254.06	+0.06	1.31
US Eq	$2.244	$2.382	-0.01	1.12
Far East Eq	Y252.0	Y267.2	+3.40	...
Japan Eq	Y260.6	Y276.8	+2.40	...
FT Europe	121.90	129.50	+1.20	2.01
FT North Am	$1.755	$1.861	-0.01	1.28
FT Japan	Y246.6	Y261.9	+5.80	...
FT Asia Ex Jap	$2.156	$2.290	-0.10	1.33
STEWART IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271				
American	352.70	376.60	-7.30	0.33
British	1007.5	1085.9†	+12.20	3.37
European	429.60	457.30	-0.10	1.24
Japan	164.90	175.00	-1.20	...
New Pacific	333.10	354.70	+1.80	0.92
Mngd Cash	95.47	95.47†	-0.07	5.07
Majority Stlg	99.65	100.65†	+0.08	4.78
Inv TR	207.10	219.50	+3.10	1.61
Saints PPP	408.20	429.70	...	...
SUN ALLIANCE Admin, 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690389				
Equity Acc	784.70	839.30	+15.90	2.73
N America Acc	123.40	132.00	-2.00	0.04
Far East Acc	140.00	149.70	+2.10	0.22
W wide Bond	62.44	66.28†	-0.55	5.24
European	93.18	99.66†	+1.78	0.79
Equity Income	91.57	97.94	+1.93	3.77
SUN LIFE OF CANADA Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ Dealing: 0256 841414				
American Gth	33.74	36.09†	-0.61	0.56
Managed Assets	126.50	135.30	+1.40	2.65
UK Income	39.70	42.47	+0.63	2.84
UK Growth	38.17	40.83†	+0.62	2.10
Worldwide Gth	32.94	35.24	+0.04	0.55
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD Charlton Place, Andover, Hants. SP10 1RE 0264 346794				
American	215.88	229.66	-6.56	...
-do- Acc	237.78	252.96	-7.23	...
British Gth	90.78	96.57†	+1.82	1.92
-do- Acc	107.53	114.39†	+2.15	1.92
European	102.06	108.58	+1.17	0.68
-do- Acc	108.47	115.39	+1.24	0.68
Extra Inc	199.00	211.70†	+3.75	3.96
-do- Acc	324.93	345.67†	+6.13	3.96
General Unit	284.30	302.45	+10.61	2.30
-do- Acc	567.90	604.15	+21.19	2.30
Income	350.73	373.12	+6.08	3.39
-do- Acc	728.82	775.34	+12.63	3.39
International	518.43	551.52	+1.43	0.23
-do- Acc	678.68	722.00	+1.88	0.23
Pacific	377.13	401.20	-0.51	...
-do- Acc	396.26	421.56	-0.53	...
Premier Income	54.79	57.07	+0.42	6.15
-do- Acc	115.85	120.68	+0.90	6.15
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD Swan House, 33 Queen St, London EC4R 1AY 071 246 3000 Dealing: 071 246 3001				
Amer Sml Cos	68.86	73.45	-2.55	...
-do- Acc	71.02	75.75	-2.62	...
European Opps	66.67	70.76	+0.37	0.42
-do- Acc	67.35	71.49	+0.37	0.42
WAVERLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ 031 225 1551				
Australasn Gold	18.38	19.55	+0.81	0.50
Pacific Basin	36.79	39.13	+0.57	0.60
Canadian Gth	35.51	37.77	-0.54	...
Global Bond	$0.976	$1.017	+0.00	7
Penny Share	26.23	27.90	+0.38	1.50
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS 2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 606 3132				
City Reserve	53.43	53.44	+0.04	4.88
Gilt Growth	73.04	76.63	+0.43	...
Gilt Income	54.35	56.55†	+0.20	7.00
Short Dtd Gilt	111.90	113.30	+0.30	...
US Govmnt Bd	$0.721	$0.730	+0.00	...
Challenger	99.79	102.10	-0.50	...
WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD 2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG 081 298 4000				
Stockmarket Fd	73.49	78.18	+1.48	1.85

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

FT-SE VOLUMES

ASDA Gp	9,500	Cadbury	993	MEPC	6,000	Scot & New	942
Abbey Natl	1,800	Carlton Cms	1,200	Marks Spr	2,100	Scot Power	816
Alld-Lyons	938	Coats Vyla	1,500	NFC	572	Sears	3,700
Anglian W	107	Cm Union	881	NatWst Bk	5,000	Svrn Trent	938
Argyll Gp	2,300	Courtaulds	374	Nat Power	2,000	Shell Trans	1,200
Arjo Wiggn	1,400	Enterpr Oil	234	Nth Wst W	1,000	Siebe	754
AB Foods	555	Forte	1,600	Nthrn Fds	2,100	SmKl Bch	3,500
BAA	480	GRE	2,300	P & O	1,200	Smith Nph	2,300
BAT Inds	2,100	GUS A	114	Pearson	1,500	Std Chartd	381
BOC	1,800	Gen Acc	1,200	PowerGen	2,300	Sun Allnce	362
BP	2,200	Gen Elec	3,800	Prudential	1,900	TI Gp	738
BT	8,400	Glaxo	3,900	RMC	68	TSB	1,700
BTR	2,700	Granada	1,400	RTZ	733	Tesco	9,300
Bk of Scot	1,500	Grand Met	3,400	Rank Org	661	Thames W	1,800
Barclays	3,700	Guinness	3,300	Reckitt Col	310	Thrn EMI	418
Bass	414	HSBC	1,900	Redland	322	Tomkins	1,100
Blue Circle	2,300	Hanson	7,500	Reed Intl	572	Unilever	1,700
Boots	2,600	ICI	1,200	Rentokil	873	Utd Bisc	2,000
Bowater	1,500	Inchcape	1,700	Reuters	1,400	Vodafone	712
Brit Aero	2,100	Kingfisher	575	Rolls Royce	1,500	Warburg (SG)	193
Brit Airwys	5,500	Ladbroke	6,900	Rothmans	1,300	Wellcome	1,700
Brit Gas	2,400	Land Secs	2,200	Ryl Ins	1,100	Whitbd 'A'	1,200
Brit Steel	5,100	Legal & Gn	697	Ryl Bk Scot	3,600	Wlms Hld	1,500
Burmah Cstrl	524	Lloyds Bk	1,900	Sainsbury	2,000	Wolseley	203
Cable Wire	5,000	MB Cardn	1,600	Schroders	17	Zeneca	1,600

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):
Dow Jones 3580.83 (-2.80)
S&P Composite 459.33 (+0.15)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Av'ge 20378.64 (+113.01)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng 8005.56 (-61.23)

Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency 128.0 (+0.3)

Sydney: AO 2026.2 (+3.7)

Frankfurt:
DAX 2005.01 (+7.97)

FT 30 share: 2359.1 (+8.7)

Brussels:
General 6818.43 (+61.03)

Paris: CAC 590.92 (-4.49)

Zurich: SKA Gen 596.10 (+2.10)

London:
FT A All-Share 1536.97 (+6.55)
FT 500 1646.47 (+6.82)
FT Gold Mines 203.7 (+5.8)
FT Fixed Interest 124.21 (+0.10)
FT Govt Secs 102.68 (+0.24)
Bargains 29311
SEAQ Volume 477.4m
USM (Datastrm) 146.60 (+0.74)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
September 27	October 8	December 30	January 10

Call options were taken out on 8/10/93: Betterware, Campbell & Armstrong, J Dickie, Lon Scottish Bank, Lloyds Chemist, PSIT, Shanks & McEwan.

Puts: Auto Secs, Greycoat, Sims Food.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100 Previous open interest: 58567	Dec 93	3115.0	3144.0	3109.0	3143.0	7633
	Mar 94	3145.0	3155.0	3145.0	3160.0	2
Three Month Sterling Previous open interest: 351370	Dec 93	94.37	94.38	94.35	94.38	12631
	Mar 94	94.57	94.58	94.55	94.56	4741
	Jun 94	94.56	94.58	94.55	94.55	1500
Three Mth Eurodollar Previous open interest: 10106	Dec 93	96.54	96.60	96.54	96.60	490
	Mar 94	96.53	96.99	96.53	96.60	82
Three Mth Euro DM Previous open interest: 632762	Dec 93	93.75	93.76	93.72	93.73	35918
	Mar 94	94.37	94.41	94.35	94.36	18251
Long Gilt Previous open interest: 97128	Dec 93	113-24	114-17	113-21	114-14	54998
	Mar 94	113-20	113-20	113-20	113-25	6
Japanese Govmt Bond	Dec 93	113.40	113.58	113.38	113.57	1614
	Mar 94				112.74	0
German Gov Bd Bund Previous open interest: 159327	Dec 93	99.55	99.97	99.48	99.85	111752
	Mar 94	99.87	100.09	99.87	99.97	21
German Gov Bd Bobl Previous open interest: 16141	Dec 93	101.74	101.83	101.65	101.78	3571
	Mar 94					0
Three month ECU Previous open interest: 30929	Dec 93	92.82	92.84	92.74	92.75	4759
	Mar 94	93.75	93.75	93.63	93.63	3060
Euro Swiss Franc Previous open interest: 50058	Dec 93	95.66	95.70	95.64	95.67	1313
	Mar 94	96.09	96.11	96.09	96.10	802
Italian Govmt Bond Previous open interest: 74787	Dec 93	117.17	117.71	116.75	117.40	41065
	Mar 94	116.75	117.37	116.70	117.18	387

MONEY MARKETS

Exchange index compared with 1985 was same at 80.9 (day's range 80.9-81.0).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for Oct 8	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.7662-2.7775	2.7683-2.7718	⅛-¼ds	⅜-⅝ds
Brussels	53.57-54.12	54.00-54.12	14-23ds	42-53ds
Copenhagen	9.9690-10.0530	9.9690-10.0080	3-3⅞ds	8⅛-9⅜ds
Dublin	1.0602-1.0635	1.0604-1.0627	8-12ds	24-31ds
Frankfurt	2.4627-2.4735	2.4659-2.4692	⅛-¼ds	½-¾ds
Lisbon	254.70-256.40	255.40-256.40	122-139ds	347-387ds
Madrid	200.29-201.62	300.29-200.90	78-88ds	212-237ds
Milan	2442.00-2457.50	2445.20-2450.00	5-7ds	18-20ds
Montreal	2.0330-2.0443	2.0413-2.0443	0.26-0.19pr	0.48-0.34pr
New York	1.5230-1.5360	1.5350-1.5360	0.36-0.35pr	0.95-0.93pr
Oslo	10.7370-10.8330	10.7370-10.7760	¼-¾ds	⅝-2⅛ds
Paris	8.6300-8.6680	8.6300-8.6520	1-1¼ds	2⅞-3¼ds
Stockholm	12.2490-12.3170	12.2490-12.2880	2-2⅞ds	4¾-6ds
Tokyo	160.12-162.14	161.85-162.12	⅝-½pr	1⅜-1¼pr
Vienna	17.37-17.44	17.40-17.44	⅞-1⅞ds	3⅜-5⅛ds
Zurich	2.1548-2.1699	2.1548-2.1578	¼-⅛pr	¾-½pr

Source: Extel. Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.5297-1.5323
Australia dollar	2.3337-2.3371
Bahrain dinar	0.568-0.580
Brazil cruzeiro*	215.17-216.56
Cyprus pound	0.748-0.758
Finland marka	8.737-8.853
Greece drachma	355.25-362.25
Hong Kong dollar	11.8423-11.8517
India rupee	47.39-48.35
Kuwait dinar KD	0.45-0.46
Malaysia ringgit	3.8915-3.8957
Mexico peso	4.65-4.75
New Zealand dollar	2.7717-2.7786
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.6495-5.7755
Singapore dollar	2.4036-2.4068
S Africa rand (fin)	6.3705-6.4209
S Africa rand (com)	5.2821-5.2979
U A E dirham	5.5315-5.6645

Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.5253-1.5264
Austria	11.34-11.35
Belgium (Com)	35.18-35.23
Canada	1.3335-1.3345
Denmark	6.563-6.583
France	5.65-5.66
Germany	1.612-1.613
Hong Kong	7.7275-7.7285
Ireland	1.4455-1.4475
Italy	1606.0-1608.0
Japan	104.95-105.05
Malaysia	2.541-2.542
Netherlands	1.8115-1.8125
Norway	7.088-7.098
Portugal	166.4-166.9
Singapore	1.570-1.571
Spain	131.3-131.6
Sweden	8.057-8.077
Switzerland	1.4155-1.4165

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 6 Finance Hse 6
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 5¼ Low 4½
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5⅛; 3 mth 5⅛. Sell: 2 mth 5½; 3 mth: 5⅛. Week fixed: 5⅛

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	5⅞-5¾	5⅞-5¾	5⅞-5¾	5⅞-5¾	
Sterling Money Rates:	5⅞-5¾	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5¾	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5¾
Interbank:	5⅞-5¾	5⅞-5⅞	5-5¾	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5¾
Overnight: open 5¾, close 4½.					
Local Authority Deps:	5¾	n/a	5¾	5⅞	5½
Sterling CDs:	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5¾	5⅞-5⅞
Dollar CDs:	3.12-3.09	n/a	3.28-3.24	3.28-3.24	3.45-3.39
Building Society CDs:	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5⅞	5⅞-5¾

TREASURY BILLS: Applcts £733m allotted: £200m: Bids: £98.675% received: 2%; Last week: £98.705% received: 95%. Avge rate: £5.2048%, last wk £5.1937%: Next week: £200m.

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	3⅛-2⅞	3⅛-2⅞	3⅛-3⅛	3¼-3⅛	3⅛-2⅝
Deutschemark:	6⅞-6⅝	6⅞-6⅝	6⅝-6½	6⅝-6½	7-6
French Franc:	7⅛-7	7⅛-7⅛	7⅛-7⅛	6⅞-6⅝	7⅛-6⅝
Swiss Franc:	4⅝-4⅜	4⅝-4½	4⅝-4½	4⅜-4¼	5-4
Yen:	2⅜-2⅛	2⅜-2⅛	2⅛-2⅛	2⅛-2⅛	3-2

GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS (Baird & Co)

Bullion: Open $357.30-357.70 Close: $357.80-358.40 High: $359.80-360.30 Low: $356.15-356.65 Krugerrand: $356.90-359.50 (£232.25-234.25)
Sovereigns: Old $83.00-86.00 (£53.00-55.00) New $83.00-86.00 (£53.00-55.00)
Platinum: $361.75 (£236.20) Silver: $4.33 (£2.815) Palladium: $126.90 (£82.85)

LIFFE OPTIONS

Series		Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Alld Lyon	550	34	46	56½	2½	14½	21
(*579½)	600	5½	19	30½	25	41	46½
Argyll	300	13	24½	33½	4	13½	17½
(*309½)	330	2½	11½	20½	24	31½	35
ASDA	57	3	—	—	2½	—	—
(*59)	67	1	—	—	10½	—	—
Boots	460	31	40½	50½	2½	12	17½
(*487½)	500	5	18½	29	18½	31½	37
Br Airways	360	20½	33	41½	4½	16½	19½
(*375½)	390	5	19	26½	20	33	35½
BP	300	25½	32	37	2	6½	9½
(*323)	330	5	14½	20	11½	19½	23
Br Steel	120	9	15½	19½	2½	7	9½
(*126½)	130	3½	9	15	7	12½	15
C & W	850	56½	75½	95	4	18½	28
(*897½)	900	17½	45½	66	19	39½	51½
CU	629	17½	—	—	8	—	—
(*639½)	677	2	—	—	43	—	—
ICI	681	53	72	—	2	11½	—
(*729½)	730	6½	29½	41	25	41½	59
Kingfishr	650	23	45½	60	8	21	29½
(*663½)	700	3	21	35½	40½	49	56½
Land Sec	650	56½	65	77	1½	8	12½
(*705)	700	15	31½	45	11½	27	31
M & S	390	15	26½	34½	4	13	17
(*400½)	420	2½	12½	20	22½	29½	33
Nat West	500	42½	55½	61	1½	8	16
(*538½)	550	6½	23½	31	18	28½	39½
Sainsbury	420	21	34	44½	4	15	20½
(*435½)	460	3	15	25	26½	37½	43½
Shell	650	34½	53	59½	2	11	20
(*681½)	700	4½	23½	30	22	30	44½
Smkl Bch	390	32½	45½	54½	3	15½	19½
(*416½)	420	12	29½	39	14	29½	34
Storehse	200	14½	20½	24½	2	7½	10½
(*211)	220	3	9½	14	12	18	21½
Trafalgar	101	7	—	—	2	—	—
(*107)	110	3½	8	12½	5½	11	12
Unilever	1050	21½	47	62½	15½	39	50
(*1051½)	1100	4	25½	38½	53	67	78½
Zeneca	750	19½	47½	61	14	31½	51
(*754)	800	3½	25	37½	50	61	80½
Series		**Oct**	**Feb**	**May**	**Oct**	**Feb**	**May**
Grnd Met	420	10½	26	33½	9	25½	29
(*420)	460	1½	11½	18	41½	52½	55
Ladbroke	160	22	28½	31	1½	5	9½
(*178½)	180	6½	18	20½	6½	14	19½
Utd Bisc	360	13	27	31	9	21	30
(*367½)	390	4½	18	19	33	39	49

Series		Calls Nov	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Nov	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
BAA	850	44½	54½	72	11½	22	30
(*876)	900	17	28½	46	35½	48½	55
Thames W	550	19	26	38	15	21½	27
(*556)	600	3	9	17	53	55½	59
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
BAT Ind	450	26½	39½	—	8	15½	—
(*460)	475	12½	26½	—	20½	27½	—
BTR	360	27½	36	40½	3½	8	12
(*381½)	390	8½	18	23	15	21½	27
Br Aero	390	30	49½	60	16	31	40
(*402½)	420	15½	34½	45½	31½	47	56
Br Telcm	420	32½	35	44½	3	9½	12½
(*445½)	460	6	14	22½	20½	29½	32
Cadbury	453	23½	37	39	7½	15½	25
(*463)	493	5½	16½	21	33	38½	48
Guinness	390	23½	43	47	6½	12	20
(*407½)	420	12	26	30½	21	26½	34
GEC	360	19½	24	30½	7½	14½	17
(*365½)	390	3½	10½	16½	28	32½	34½
Hanson	260	12	17	20	6	10½	14
(*265)	280	3½	8	11	17½	22	25½
LASMO	140	9½	16	19½	8	12	15½
(*140)	160	3	7½	11½	22½	25	27½
Lucas	140	17½	22	25	3½	7	10½
(*154½)	160	5	11	14	13½	17½	21
Pilkingtn	140	12½	16½	19½	4½	10½	13
(*146)	160	4	8	11	17	22	25
Prudential	330	34½	42½	45½	2½	5½	11
(*359½)	360	13	23½	28½	11½	16½	24
Redland	500	50	64½	72	6	13½	25½
(*543)	550	17½	35	43½	23	34	49½
Royal Ins	317	16	26½	—	8½	15	—
(*321½)	346	4½	13	—	27½	32	—
Tesco	200	21	27½	31	3	8	10½
(*216)	220	8	15½	19½	11	16½	19½
Vodafone	500	41	54	66½	9½	21	28
(*525½)	550	14	28½	42	35	47½	54
Williams	330	15½	26	30	9½	16	23
(*333)	360	4	12½	16½	30	34	49½

FT-SE INDEX (*3105½)

	3000	3050	3100	3150	3200	3250
Calls						
Oct	124	74	28	8	1½	1½
Nov	145	104	69	42	23	11
Dec	169	131	97	68	47	30
Jan	189	151	119	90	67	49
Jun	246	—	183	—	134	—
Puts						
Oct	2	4	14	47	97	147
Nov	15	25	42	67	101	147
Dec	28	40	58	81	112	151
Jan	43	56	74	97	126	161
Jun	83	—	122	—	173	—

Series		Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Dec	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Abby Nat	420	26½	35	40½	11	18½	23½
(*430)	460	7½	15½	22	34	42	45½
Amstrad	53	4½	6½	8½	5	6½	7½
(*50)	60	2	3½	5	12½	14	15
Barclays	550	31½	43½	50	15½	26½	30½
(*559)	600	9½	19½	27½	47	55	58½
Blue Circ	280	17½	27½	30½	12½	18½	26
(*283)	300	8½	18	22	25	30	37½
Br Gas	330	10½	18½	23½	12½	17½	24½
(*333½)	350	3½	9	11½	36	37½	43½
Dixons	260	26½	34½	41	9	16	20
(*274)	280	15½	24	31½	18½	26	30
Forte	220	15½	24	26½	9½	14½	19½
(*224½)	240	6½	14½	17½	22	26	31½
Hillsdwn	140	21½	23½	24	2	5½	6½
(*159)	160	7	12	13	10½	15	21½
Lonrho	120	10½	14½	17	7	12	14
(*121)	130	5½	10	13	13½	18	20
Sears	110	10½	13½	14½	3½	5½	7½
(*116)	120	5	7½	9	8½	10½	13
Thrn Emi	950	42½	57½	74	28½	44½	51
(*953½)	1000	18½	34½	51	58	72	77½
Tomkins	220	24½	29	34	5	9	12
(*236½)	240	12	17½	23½	13½	18½	21
TSB	220	15½	21	25	7½	15	17½
(*225½)	240	6½	12	16	19½	26	28½
Wellcome	700	47	70½	84½	33	47	59
(*716½)	750	25	48	61	63	74½	87
Series		**Dec**	**Apr**		**Dec**	**Apr**	
Glaxo	650	49	74½	—	30	52	—
(*663½)	700	25	51½	—	58½	79½	—
HSBC	700	52	75½	—	19½	42½	—
(*726½)	750	26	49½	—	45	69	—
Reuter	1500	82	119	—	46	79	—
(*1518)	1550	55½	91	—	70½	104½	—
Series		**Dec**	**Feb**	**May**	**Dec**	**Feb**	**May**
R-Royce	156	12½	18	—	9	12	—
(*159)	176	5	9	—	22	24	—
Series		**Oct**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Oct**	**Dec**	**Mar**
Fisons	160	9½	14	21	3½	9½	14½
(*165½)	180	2	6	12½	17	23	26½
Series		**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**	**Nov**	**Feb**	**May**
Eastrn Elc	550	39½	49½	57½	4½	14	17
(*580)	600	9½	21½	30½	26½	35	41
Series		**Dec**	**Mar**	**Jun**	**Dec**	**Mar**	**Jun**
Natl Pwr	390	24	34	41½	6½	15	20½
(*409)	420	9½	19	26	25	29½	35½
Scot Pwr	390	17	23½	30½	12	19	20½
(*393)	420	5½	11½	17½	32½	37½	39½

October 8, 1993 Tot: 31198 Call: 11813 Put: 19385 FT-SE Call: 2105 Put: 16055
*Underlying security price.

COMMODITIES

GNI REPORT: Nickel rallied on the London Metal Exchange following Inco's announcement that it would cut around 27,000 tonnes of metal from 1994 output in an effort to correct the over supply in the market. Around 18,000 tonnes of the cuts will occur in the first 3 months of next year, but will only just move the market in to deficit based on this years performance.

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

COCOA

Dec	890 BID	Mar	926 SLR
Mar	919-917	May	925 SLR
May	923-922	Jul	930 BID
Jul	925-924	Sep	937 SLR
Sep	927 SLR		
Dec	922-920		Volume: 7954

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Nov	1167-1165	Jul	1170 SLR
Jan	1183-1178	Sep	1170 SLR
Mar	1172-1170	Nov	1168-1165
May	1168 BID		Volume: 1599

RAW SUGAR (FOB)

Spot: unq		Dec	unq
May	unq	Mar	—
Aug	—	May	—
Oct	—	Aug	—
			Volume: 0

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		Aug	290.0-89.4
Spot: 290.0		Oct	282.6-82.0
Dec	282.5-82.0	Dec	283.6-82.0
Mar	284.0-83.5	Mar	287.6-83.0
May	286.0-85.5		Volume: 1818

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on October 8

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	60.50	79.60	114.86
(+/-)	-0.61	-1.38	-5.00
Eng/Wales:	60.50	79.60	114.47
(+/-)	-0.81	-1.40	-5.50
(%)	-3.4	+24.2	-45.9
Scotland:	n/a	79.59	117.78
(+/-)	n/a	-1.26	-0.70
(%)	n/a	-29.9	-11.6

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig (£/kg)

	Open	Close		Open	Close
Aug	unq	—	Mar	unq	—
Sep	unq	—		Volume: 0	

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)

Nov	99.70
Jan	101.35
Mar	103.40
May	105.15
Jun	106.50
Volume: 401	

BARLEY (close £/t)

Nov	101.65
Jan	103.75
Mar	105.75
May	107.45
Sep	93.00
Volume: 151	

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)

Aug	unq
Oct	—
Dec	—
Feb	—
Apr	—
Volume: 0	

POTATO

(£/t)	Open	Close
Nov	unq	82.5
Apr	91.0	89.7
May	unq	103.4
	volume: 116	

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/k)
Nov 59.25-59.75

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): The week ended on an indifferent note with prices slightly softer.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	16.90	-0.10
Brent 15 day (Oct)	16.95	-0.10
Brent 15 day (Nov)	17.15	-0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Nov)	18.45	-0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Dec)	18.65	-0.10

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	185 (n/c)	188 (n/c)
Gasoil EEC	172 (-1)	172 (-1)
Non EEC 1H Oct	176 (-1)	177 (-1)
Non EEC 1H Nov	177 (-1)	178 (-1)
3.5 Fuel Oil	60 (n/c)	61 (n/c)
Naphtha	159 (+1)	160 (n/c)

IPE FUTURES
GNI Ltd
GAS OIL

Oct	172.25-72.50	Jan	173.25-73.50
Nov	172.75-73.00	Feb	172.25-72.50
Dec	173.25-73.50	Mar	170.50-70.75
			Vol: 14318

BRENT (6.00pm)

Nov	17.15-17.16	Feb	17.58-17.62
Dec	17.34-17.36	Mar	17.68-17.71
Jan	17.49-17.50		Vol: 18224

UNLEADED GASOLINE

Oct	179.00-80.00	Jan	n/a
Nov	178.00-79.00	Feb	n/a
Dec	181.00 SLR		Vol: 0

BIFFEX
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Oct 93	1428	1425	1426
Nov 93	1445	1445	1445
Dec 93	1440	1440	1440
Jan 94	1440	1435	1436

Vol: 89 lots. Open int'st: 3114 Index 1395 -3

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE Rudolf Wolff
(Official) (Volume prev day)

	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	1675.0-1676.0	1698.0-1699.0	1359500
Lead ($/tonne)	367.00-367.50	381.00-381.50	130550
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	889.00-889.50	904.00-904.50	234875
Tin ($/tonne)	4785.0-4795.0	4830.0-4840.0	27525
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1089.5-1090.5	1110.0-1110.5	632800
Nickel ($/tonne)	4540.0-4545.0	4580.0-4585.0	90312

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Ballesteros ascends with regal display

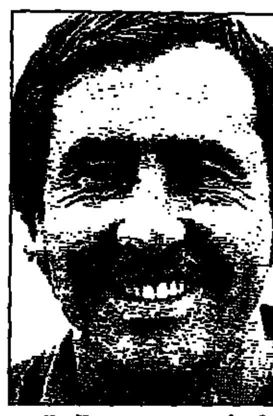
FROM PATRICIA DAVIES IN KNOKKE-LE-ZOUTE

SEVERIANO Ballesteros, who is quite often not a well man, could be experiencing a touch of vertigo after reaching the dizzy heights of ten under par with a second round of 65 in the Belgian Open at Royal Zoute yesterday.

It is a long time since golf's most compelling personality led a tournament and his total of 132 left him four shots ahead of Nick Faldo, the world No 1, Bernhard Langer, who equalled the course record of 64, and Tom Pernice and Darren Clarke.

Ballesteros does not regard himself as a slow player — except on the football pitch, where he is exposed by a lack of pace — but his threesome came under scrutiny because of their tardiness. Langer, renowned for his deliberation, was one of the three, but once they were warned and timing commenced at the 18th hole, their ninth, he was blameless.

It was Ballesteros who transgressed twice on that hole, taking 77 seconds for his second shot and 75 seconds over his first putt, against the official allowances of 55 and 60 seconds respectively. "That surprised me," he said.



Ballesteros: magical

The trio — Miguel Angel Jimenez, the holder, was the third — were eight minutes out of position after the 17th hole, but once the stopwatches started ticking, they picked up speed and four holes later they were only one minute adrift. Admittedly, three birdie twos at the 3rd helped enormously, with the longest putt there being Langer's ten-footer. By the 4th, they were up to time and officialdom retreated, satisfied.

There was certainly nothing wrong with the golf produced and Bernard Gallacher, Europe's Ryder Cup captain, might even have offered a ten per cent discount at his shop at Wentworth if Langer and Ballesteros had produced such scoring in the singles at the Belfry. They had 13 birdies between them — neither man dropped a shot — and their better-ball score was 60, 11 under par. "It would have helped to score like this then," Langer said.

On the Saturday afternoon at The Belfry, when Ballesteros asked to be dropped, he said he felt that he was not himself. Yesterday, on a beautiful day, he was a new man. He started like a dream, with three birdies in a row. He hit an eight-iron to two feet for a three at the 10th, a four-iron to three feet for a two at the 11th and a wedge to ten feet for a four at the 12th. The day began to take on a golden hue.

There were to be no more birdies by Ballesteros on the outward half, but Langer, who had also birdied the 10th, had three in a row from the 16th to keep the crowd enthralled and ensure nobody peeled off at the turn for an early lunch.

Ballesteros, who declined to answer any questions on his swing apart from issuing the unequivocal statement that it was "great", certainly hit two cracking eight-irons, to ten feet at the 2nd and five feet at the 3rd, for two more birdies and was his usual magical self getting out of trouble. At the 4th, from an awkward lie in a greenside bunker, he splashed out to three feet to save par and, at the 6th, where his drive ended in such a bad lie that he could not reach the green with his second, his pitch and run from 30 yards hit the pin.

Langer, who operates in a lower key but just as effectively, hit a six-iron from the middle of the fairway at the 6th and holed the resulting 12-foot putt for his third birdie in four holes. He had adjusted his swing on the practice ground after his opening 72 and was, he said, much better grooved, having eliminated a destructive tendency to hook.

Ballesteros, as usual, had the last word, with a birdie three at the 7th, where he hit a languid pitching wedge to three feet and, despite much stepping away from the ball, holed the putt. The man is beginning to look himself again.

SCORES

GB and Ireland unless stated: 132: S Ballesteros (Sp), 67, 65. 136: B Langer (Ger), 72, 64; D Clarke, 68, 68, N Faldo, 68, 68; T Pernice (US), 70, 66 137 V Singh (Fiji), 68, 69; G Brand Jr, 66, 71; J-M Canizares (Sp), 68, 69; D Frost (SA), 69, 68; W Westner (SA), 70, 67. 138: D Williams, 66, 72; R Chapman, 72, 66; J Van de Velde (Fr), 70, 68; J Hawkes (SA), 68, 70; G Turner (NZ), 70, 68; C Rocca (It), 67, 71; D Feherty, 69, 69.

139: J Coceres (Arg), 70, 69; S Torrance, 71, 68; M A Jimenez (Sp), 68, 71; S Struver (Ger), 68, 71; I Palmer (SA), 69, 70; H Clark, 70, 69; R Rafferty, 72, 67; E Romero (Arg), 70, 69; J Hobday (SA), 69, 70. 140: J Parnevik (Swe), 70, 70; J Rivero (Sp), 70, 70; P Lawrie, 71, 69; M-A Martin (Sp), 69, 71, G J Brand, 69, 71; P Broadhurst, 68, 72; E Els (SA), 72, 68; B Lane, 71, 69.

Dunbar find an ally in climate

BY MEL WEBB

THE West and Wales regional final of the Times Olivetti Corporate Golf Challenge was bedevilled by the weather at Bristol and Clifton yesterday, but, as golfers are prone to do, the competitors pointed stiff upper lips at the conditions and emerged with honour, if not scores, intact.

Heavy rain swept across the course in mid-morning and, at one time, it looked unlikely that the competition would be completed. The players were brought off the course for upwards of 90 minutes and play did not get under way again until 1pm.

Some teams were more severely affected by the monsoon than others and many a hopeful score was ruined



beyond repair by soggy fairways and flooded greens. The picturesque Bristol and Clifton course drains well, though, and by the restart most of the course was in a surprisingly good condition.

The weather, the enemy for so many, turned out to be the ally of the team from Allied Dunbar Assurance South West, who won a place in the national final at the Hyatt La Manga Club Resort late next month with a score of 88 points.

They beat their colleagues from the company's head office at Swindon by two points with Meggitt plc taking third place on countback of the last nine holes from Meile Co Ltd and Davenport Management after all three teams had tied on 85.

The winners were preparing to trudge to the first tee when play was suspended, and the worst they had to contend with was light rain at the beginning and towards the end of their round.

Theirs was a triumph for solid teamwork. With the best two scores of the four-man team counting on each hole, they had five six-point holes and six five-pointers. Several times they saved their pars with gritty up-and-downs and did not have worse than a gross par on any hole.

The three members of staff from the Bristol-based division of the company were Peter Briggs, a 15-handicap member of Filton, David Boulton, also off 15, who plays at Chipping Sodbury, and two-handicapper Richard Armitage, who plays at Teignmouth in south Devon. Their guest, Peter Lovett, plays off 15 and is a member of Castle Combe.

Allied Dunbar have been enthusiastic competitors in this, the inaugural year of the first national golf competition aimed at the business community. The company runs 20 regional competitions during the year culminating in a national final, which this year was held at St Pierre, in Chepstow, and most of the regional days ran entries for the challenge parallel with their own competition.

"It is a super concept," Boulton, who chairs the company's national golf organisation, said. "It has been a marvellous incentive for staff and guests alike to have the chance of winning a trip to Spain. I just wish it was The Times Allied Dunbar challenge."



HUGH PINNEY

Tree wood: Bob Rudkin, of Russell Marketing, looks for help from above as he plays his second shot on the opening hole at Bristol and Clifton yesterday

RESULTS

Ties decided on countback of last nine holes

1. Allied Dunbar Assurance Plc (South West Region), 88
2. Allied Dunbar Assurance (Swindon), 86
3. Meggitt Plc, 85
4. Miele Company Ltd, 85
5. Devonport Managment Ltd, 85
6. Iceland Frozen Foods Plc, 83
7. St Albans City FC Ltd, 81
8. Russell Marketing Ltd, 81
9. Star Aliminium Co Ltd, 81
10. Dayco Europe Ltd, 80
11. Universal Salvage Ltd, 80
12. P-E International Plc, 79
13. The Wrigley Co Ltd, 79
14. TSB Group Plc, 79
15. Hugh, James Jones and Jenkins, 79
16. MVA, 78
17. Imperial Tobacco Ltd, 76
18. Allied Dunbar (Wales), 76
19. The Sigma Group Ltd, 72
20. Royal Mail, 72
21. Allied Dunbar (Wessex), 71
22. Tobasgo Design, 71
23. The Jenks Group, 66
24. Iberia Airways, 62

LONGEST DRIVE: B Balmer (P-E International), 237 yards.

NEAREST THE PIN: A Mitchell (Allied Dunbar Swindon), 2ft 6in

SPORT IN BRIEF

Courier suffers further setback

JIM Courier, the top seed, went out of the Australian indoor tennis championship at the quarter-final stage in Sydney yesterday, beaten 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 by Jaime Yzaga, of Peru. It was the second unlikely defeat in two weeks for Courier, who lost his No 1 world ranking to Pete Sampras during the US Open in September. Last week he was beaten in the second round of the Salem Open, in Kuala Lumpur, by Jacco Eltingh, of Holland. Yzaga, No 54 in the world, returned Courier's serve with pinpoint precision during a match which lasted 2hr 19min.

"I feel great. It is the best win of my career," Yzaga said. "Jim didn't play well in the first set and that gave me confidence. I started putting more pressure on him, playing the ball around, changing the pace and coming into the net." Courier, gracious in defeat, said he had not played badly but that Yzaga had "simply played better". The Peruvian will now meet the defending champion, Goran Ivanisevic, who relied heavily on his thunderbolt service to overcome Mikael Pernfors, of Sweden, 6-4, 6-2. Ivanisevic began with a serve which was so fast that a shocked Pernfors retreated with racket raised to protect his face.

Programme change

CYCLING: The Olympic road team time-trial over 100km, first introduced at the Rome Games in 1960, will not be on the Atlanta programme in 1996 (Peter Bryan writes). It will be replaced by an individual 45km time-trial after criticism by the International Olympic Committee that few nations organised significant team events and that spectator interest was minimal. As the Atlanta Games are expected to be fully open to both amateurs and professionals, the decision could favour Chris Boardman, Britain's reigning Olympic track pursuit champion, who turned professional five weeks ago. He is also a road time-trial specialist and holds the British 25-mile record at 45min 57sec.

DeFreitas in demand

CRICKET: Worcestershire and Derbyshire confirmed yesterday that they are interested in signing Phillip DeFreitas, who is leaving Lancashire. Worcestershire are keen to strengthen their bowling attack after releasing Ken Benjamin, their West Indies player, while Derbyshire, despite financial problems, believe they can fit the England all-rounder into their wage structure.

□ Krish Srikkanth, 33, the flamboyant Indian opening batsman, has announced his retirement after playing in 43 Test matches and 145 one-day internationals.

Coni remembered

ROWING: Nearly 1,000 followers of the sport attended yesterday's thanksgiving service for the life of Peter Coni, who died in July, ten days after presenting the prizes at the Henley Royal Regatta, of which he was chairman. Officials from Fisa, the international governing body, and the Amateur Rowing Association were among the congregation at St Mary's, Henley, where James Crowden, a senior Henley steward and former Olympic oarsman, gave the address, honouring "one of the most outstanding sports administrators of our generation."

Eagle lifts Horton

GOLF: Tommy Horton, the Royal Jersey professional, scored 67, five under par, to take a two-stroke lead in the Lexus seniors trophy at Brietenloo, Zurich, yesterday. Horton, who has a two-round total of 141, dropped only one stroke, at the 17th, where he was bunkered. He had four birdies and an eagle two at the 14th, where he holed a sand-iron shot from 65 yards. His closest challenger is John Fourie, of South Africa, the 1992 Senior British Open champion, who went round in 70. His fellow countryman, Bobby Verwey, shares third place with the former Ryder Cup player, Bernard Hunt.

Collision stops racing

YACHTING: A collision involving Andy Beadsworth, the national champion, and Nick Bell, the Scottish champion, disabled their rigs yesterday, curtailing the opening round of the final stage of the BT/RYA national match-race championship at Pwllheli. When the rigs hooked up in a close manoeuvre, Bell's mast broke and Beadsworth's was bent beyond use. Both sailors will race again today. In the abbreviated first round knock-out, Glynn Charles beat David Evans of Cambridge 3-0, and Ian Budgen similarly disposed of George Barker, from Ullswater.

GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 3.0 unless stated

FA Carling Premiership

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Man Utd	10	4	1	0	12	3	4	0	1	10	5	25
Arsenal	10	4	0	1	9	4	2	2	1	3	2	20
Leeds	10	4	0	1	8	5	2	1	2	6	5	19
Norwich	10	2	1	2	2	3	3	2	0	17	8	18
Tottenham	10	3	1	1	10	4	2	2	1	7	6	18
Blackburn	10	1	2	2	5	7	4	1	0	9	3	18
Newcastle	10	3	1	1	8	4	1	3	1	7	6	16
A Villa	10	2	1	2	6	5	2	3	0	6	4	16
Wimbldn	10	2	3	0	8	4	2	1	2	5	7	16
Everton	10	3	0	2	8	8	2	0	3	5	6	15
Coventry	10	2	2	1	5	5	1	3	1	7	5	14
QPR	10	3	1	1	10	7	1	1	3	6	10	14
Liverpool	10	2	1	2	5	3	2	0	3	8	5	13
Chelsea	10	3	1	1	6	3	0	3	2	3	5	13
Man City	10	1	3	1	6	5	2	0	3	4	4	12
Ipswich	10	2	2	1	6	5	1	1	3	4	9	12
West Ham	10	2	1	2	3	6	1	1	3	3	7	11
Sheff Utd	10	2	2	1	8	6	0	1	4	7	14	9
Sheff Wed	10	1	2	2	7	7	0	2	3	4	10	7
Oldham	10	0	3	2	5	9	1	1	3	2	8	7
Soton	10	1	1	3	9	11	0	0	5	1	7	4
Swindon	10	0	1	4	4	14	0	2	3	4	12	3

No Premiership fixtures due to mid-week international matches.

Endsleigh Insurance League

First division

Barnsley v Charlton
Derby v Luton
Grimsby v Southend
Millwall v West Bromwich
Notts County v Bristol City
Peterborough v Portsmouth
Sunderland v Birmingham
Tranmere v Bolton

Postponed: Leicester v Crystal Palace; Wolverhampton v Nottingham Forest.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
C Palace	9	4	1	0	12	2	2	1	1	8	5	20
Tranmere	10	4	0	1	10	5	2	2	1	5	5	20
Leicester	9	3	1	0	10	4	3	0	2	6	5	18
Middlsbro	10	2	2	1	8	4	3	1	1	11	7	18
Charlton	10	3	2	0	7	1	1	3	1	5	8	17
Southend	9	2	1	1	6	3	2	1	2	9	7	14
Derby	9	4	0	0	13	3	0	2	3	2	11	14
Bristol C	10	3	1	1	7	4	1	1	3	5	8	14
Grimsby	10	1	4	0	5	3	1	3	1	10	11	13
Wolves	10	2	2	1	9	8	1	1	3	6	8	12
Watford	9	2	2	1	7	6	1	1	2	7	10	12
Millwall	9	2	1	1	7	5	1	2	2	2	7	12
Birmnghm	9	1	3	1	9	8	1	2	1	6	6	11
Stoke	9	1	0	3	3	5	2	2	1	10	11	11
Portsmth	10	2	2	1	7	6	0	3	2	5	11	11
Bolton	8	2	1	1	7	6	1	1	2	2	5	11
Notts Co	8	3	0	1	8	4	0	1	3	5	10	10
Barnsley	10	1	1	3	5	9	2	0	3	6	11	10
Nottm For	9	1	2	1	9	8	1	1	3	6	9	9
West Brom	9	2	2	1	10	10	0	1	3	4	8	9
Luton	9	2	0	3	8	7	0	2	2	3	6	8
Peterboro	9	2	2	1	9	5	0	0	4	1	9	8
Sundrlnd	8	2	1	1	8	4	0	1	3	1	8	8
Oxford Utd	8	2	1	1	11	9	0	0	4	2	9	7

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Corby v Worcester; Crawley v Cheltenham; Farnborough v Hastings; Gloucester v Moor Green; Gresley v Sittingbourne. Midland division: Armitage v Stourbridge, Bilston v Clevedon, Bridgnorth v Evesham, Dudley v Bedworth; Grantham v Hinckley; RC Warwick v King's Lynn; Redditch v Yate; Sutton Coldfield v Newport AFC, VS Rugby v Tamworth. Southern division: Ashford v Dunstable, Baldock v Canterbury City, Burnham v Fareham; Havant v Buckingham; Poole v Witney; Tonbridge AFC v Fisher 93, Wealdstone v Braintree

Second division

Brighton v Stockport
Bristol Rovers v Bradford
Burnley v Plymouth
Exeter v Reading
Fulham v Bournemouth
Hartlepool v Brentford
Leyton Orient v Rotherham
Port Vale v Hull
Swansea v Blackpool
Wrexham v Cambridge Utd
York v Huddersfield

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Hull	10	4	1	0	11	4	3	1	1	11	11	23
Stockport	10	5	0	0	12	3	2	2	1	7	8	23
Reading	10	4	1	0	13	6	2	1	2	10	7	20
Plymouth	10	4	0	1	13	6	2	1	2	8	9	19
York	10	3	1	1	11	4	3	0	2	6	6	19
Blackpool	10	4	1	0	9	4	2	0	3	8	9	19
Bristol R	10	3	1	1	8	4	2	1	2	5	6	17
Burnley	10	5	0	0	14	3	0	0	5	5	11	15
Port Vale	10	3	2	0	14	4	1	1	3	4	8	15
L Orient	10	3	0	2	9	7	2	0	3	6	11	15
Exeter	10	3	1	1	11	5	1	2	2	3	9	15
Bournmth	9	2	2	1	7	5	2	1	1	5	4	15
Bradford	10	4	0	1	14	5	0	2	3	4	11	14
Swansea	10	3	1	1	7	3	1	1	3	3	8	14
Rotherhm	10	2	1	2	8	8	1	2	2	6	9	12
Wrexham	10	3	1	1	15	8	0	1	4	1	12	11
Cmbridge	10	2	1	2	9	8	1	1	3	6	11	11
Hartlepool	10	2	1	2	4	4	1	1	3	4	7	11
Brighton	10	1	3	1	5	6	1	1	3	6	11	10
Cardiff	9	1	1	2	9	9	1	2	2	7	11	9
Huddsfld	10	1	2	2	3	6	1	1	3	6	9	9
Brentford	10	2	1	2	5	5	0	2	3	3	7	9
Fulham	10	0	2	3	4	8	2	0	3	5	6	8
Barnet	10	0	0	5	3	9	0	0	5	4	21	0

Third division

Bury v Wigan
Colchester v Scunthorpe
Crewe v Hereford
Darlington v Chester
Lincoln v Doncaster
Mansfield v Scarborough
Northampton v Wycombe
Preston v Chesterfield
Shrewsbury v Carlisle
Torquay v Rochdale
Walsall v Gillingham

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
		HOME					AWAY					
Preston	9	4	0	1	13	5	2	1	1	11	9	19
Rochdale	9	4	0	1	13	3	2	1	1	8	5	19
Crewe	9	4	1	0	11	6	1	2	1	7	6	18
Wycombe	9	2	1	1	5	6	3	2	0	12	9	18
Scunthrp	9	1	2	1	5	5	3	1	1	5	1	15
Colchester	9	3	1	1	13	11	1	1	2	9	8	14
Torquay	9	1	4	0	12	11	2	1	1	8	7	14
Shrwsbry	9	2	1	1	7	6	2	1	2	9	11	14
Mansfield	8	2	1	1	4	3	2	1	1	6	4	14
Doncaster	9	2	1	1	5	3	2	1	2	4	5	14
Walsall	9	0	3	2	7	9	3	1	0	4	1	13
Wigan	9	1	1	2	8	8	2	1	2	6	8	11
Scarboro	9	0	0	4	4	11	3	2	0	8	4	11
Gillingham	9	1	3	1	5	6	1	2	1	5	7	11
Carlisle	9	1	1	2	8	5	1	3	1	5	3	10
Chester	9	1	1	2	3	4	2	0	3	7	9	10
Lincoln	9	1	2	2	7	11	1	1	2	4	5	9
Hereford	9	1	1	3	8	8	1	1	2	9	9	8
Chesterfld	9	1	1	3	6	8	1	0	3	4	11	7
Bury	9	1	2	1	4	4	0	2	3	5	11	7
Northmptn	8	1	0	2	1	3	0	2	3	7	11	5
Darlington	9	0	2	3	2	7	0	2	2	3	5	4

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Southampton v Ipswich

JEWSON LEAGUE: Premier division: Felixstowe v Wisbech, Gorleston v Cornard, Haverhill v Newmarket; Histon v Fakenham, March TU v Diss; Soham TR v Great Yarmouth; Tiptree v Norwich United; Watton v Stowmarket

GM Vauxhall Conference

Dover v Northwich
Kidderminster v Runcorn
Merthyr v Halifax
Slough v Bath
Southport v Woking
Stafford v Kettering
Witton v Macclesfield
Yeovil v Altrincham

Scottish League

Premier division

Celtic v Dundee
Dundee Utd v Rangers
Hearts v St Johnstone
Motherwell v Hibernian
Partick v Aberdeen
Raith v Kilmarnock

First division

Airdrie v St Mirren
Ayr v Clydebank
Dumbarton v Stirling
Dunfermline v Falkirk
Hamilton v Brechin
Morton v Clyde

Second division

Albion v Arbroath
Berwick v Queen's Park
Cowdenbeath v East Stirling
Forfar v Alloa
Meadowbank v Queen of South
Montrose v East Fife
Stranraer v Stenhousemuir

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Ballyclare v Distillery; Ballymena v Glentoran; Carrick v Coleraine; Crusaders v Newry; Glenavon v Bangor; Larne v Linfield; Omagh Town v Ards; Portadown v Cliftonville.

FA CUP: Third qualifying round: Billingham Synthonia v Gateshead; Gretna v Barrow; Northallerton v Netherfield; Lancaster City v Whitby; Leek v Emley; Warrington v Stalybridge Celtic, Morecambe v Bridlington Town; Winsford v Buxton, North Ferriby v Chorley; Knowsley v Colwyn Bay; Nuneaton Borough v Worksop; Solihull Borough v Bromsgrove; Raunds v Telford; Pershore v Atherstone, Rushden and Diamonds v Burton Albion; Bishops Stortford v Canvey Island; Hendon v Cambridge City; Wivenhoe v Chelmsford; East Thurrock v Stevenage Borough. Halstead v Dagenham and Redbridge, Edgware v Chesham; Hornchurch v Enfield; Purfleet v Yeading, Chertsey v Harrow Borough; Chatham v Kingstonian; Greenwich Borough v Molesey (at Bromley); Erith and Belvedere v Gravesend and Northfleet; Metropolitan Police v Margate; Basingstoke v Carshalton Athletic; Tooting and Mitcham v Dorking; Andover v Bashley; Newport, IoW v Newbury; Wimborne v Waterlooville, Weymouth v Barnstaple; Moreton v Mangotsfield; Weston-super-Mare v Tiverton.

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES: First division: Bootle v Blackpool Rovers. Chadderton v Atherton LR; Kidsgrove Ath v Burscough; Nantwich v St Helens; Penrith v Newcastle; Prescot v Flixton; Rossendale v Bradford PA; Salford City v Bacup Borough; Skelmersdale v Maine Road (Man). Challenge Cup: Atherton Col v Ellesmere Port, Castleton Gabriels v Cheadle Town, Haslingden v K Chell; Holker OB v Irlam; Nelson v Ashton Town; N Trafford v Westhoughton; Oldham Town v Stantondale.

AFA SENIOR CUP: Old Reptonians v Shene OG.

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Hayes v Aylesbury; Marlow v Sutton United, St Albans v Bromley. First division: Abingdon Town v Windsor and Eton; Barking v Uxbridge, Berkhamsted v Billericay; Croydon v Bognor Regis; Leyton v Ruislip Manor; Walton and Hersham v Chalfont St Peter; Wembley v Staines, Worthing v Maidenhead. Second division: Aldershot Town v Lewes, Aveley v Egham; Hampton v Banstead Athletic; Hungerford v Thame; Malden Vale v Collier Row; Saffron Walden v Tilbury; Ware v Hemel Hempstead. Third division: Cheshunt v Feltham and Hounslow; Epsom and Ewell v Southall, Flackwell Heath v Leighton; Harefield v Clapton; Horsham v Hertford; Northwood v Royston; Oxford City v Cove; Tring v Harlow.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Fleetwood v Bishop Auckland; Frickley v Droylsden; Gainsborough v Whitley Bay, Hyde v Boston; Marine v Accrington Stanley; Matlock v Horwich. First division: Alfreton v Farsley Celtic; Bamber Bridge v Congleton; Curzon Ashton v Spennymoor; Great Harwood v Workington; Goole v Caernarfon; Guiseley v Ashton United; Mossley v Harrogate.

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: Old Esthamelans v Lensbury; NatWest Bank v Winchmore Hill; Midland Bank v Civil Service; West Wickham v Norsemen; Old Actonians v Crouch End Vampires; Lloyds Bank v Old Stationers; Kew Association v Alexandra Park; Polytechnic v Ibis; Old Latymerians v Broomfield; Old Parkonians v Old Bromleians; Cuaco v Barclays Bank; Reigate Priory v Old Salesians; Old Lyonians v Old Parmiterians.

KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Briton Ferry v Conwy; Connah's Quay v Haverfordwest; Cwmbran v Newtown; Ebbw Vale v Caersws (2.30); Holywell v Afan Lido; Inter Cardiff v Mold; Llanelli v Flint Town United; Llansantffraid v Maesteg Park; Porthmadog v Aberystwyth (2.30); Ton Pentre v Bangor.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Belper v Denaby; Glasshoughton Wel v Pickering; Lincoln v Pontefract Col; Liversedge v Brigg; Maltby MW v Armthorpe Welfare; Ossett Albion v Eccleshill; Thackley v Stocksbridge PS; Winterton Rangers v Ossett Town.

BASKETBALL

BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Birmingham Bullets v Chester Jets; Guildford Kings v Derby Bucks; London Towers v Leicester Riders; Thames Valley Tigers v Sunderland Scorpions; Worthing Bears v Oldham Celtics.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men: First division: Coventry Flyers v Solent Stars; Plymouth Raiders v Sheffield Forgers; Ware Rebels v Bury Lobos. Second division: Chiltern Fatbreak v London Elephants; Guildford Storm v Leicester Falcons; Lewisham v Nottingham; Mid Sussex v Liverpool Atac; Stevenage v Northampton. Women: First division: Rhondda v Northampton; Thames Valley v Ipswich. Second division: London Heat v Leicester; Manchester v Guildford; Spelthorne v Sunderland.

ICE HOCKEY

BENSON AND HEDGES CUP: Milton Keynes Kings v Billingham Bombers; Slough Jets v Nottingham Panthers; Swindon Wildcats v Basingstoke Beavers.

RUGBY UNION

Kick-off 3.0 unless stated

Tour match

West Wales v Japan (at Narberth, 2.30)

Courage Clubs Championship

First division

Gloucester v London Irish
Harlequins v Northampton
Newcastle Gosforth v Leicester
Orrell v Bristol
Wasps v Bath

Second division

London Scottish v Moseley
Sale v Rugby
Saracens v Nottingham
Waterloo v Otley
West Hartlepool v Wakefield

McEwan's League

First division

Boroughmuir v Selkirk
Gala v Edinburgh Acads
Hawick v Melrose
Heriots FP v West of Scotland
Kelso v Currie
Stewarts Mel FP v Jed-Forest
Stirling County v Watsonians

Second division

Ayr v Peebles
Clarkston v Preston Lodge
Glasgow Acads v Dundee HSFP
Grangemouth v Edinburgh W
Haddington v Glasgow High
Kirkcaldy v Biggar
Musselburgh v Wigtownshire

Heineken League

All 2.30 kick-off

First division

Aberavon v Newbridge
Dunvant v Pontypridd

Second division

Abertillery v Ebbw Vale
Llandovery v Mountain Ash
Llanharan v Maesteg
Penarth v Treorchy
South Wales Police v Glamorgan Wanderers

Club matches

Aspatria v Tynedale
Bedford v Llanelli
Bridgend v Rosslyn Park (2.30)
Camborne v Taunton
Cambridge Univ v Blackheath
Durham v Northern
Exeter v Basingstoke
Fylde v Broughton Park
Havant v London Welsh
Leeds v Lichfield
Liverpool St Helens v Preston G
Met Police v Sidcup
Morley v Harrogate
Newport v Richmond (2.30)
North Walsham v Sudbury
Nuneaton v Plymouth
Oxford Univ v Loughborough St
Pontypool v Weston-s-Mare (2.30)
Reading v Maidenhead
Redruth v Neath
Rotherham v Redcar
Sheffield v Kendal (3.30)
Stourbridge v Clifton
Streatham/Croydon v Askeans
Swansea v Coventry (2.30)

Insurance Corporation League

All 2.30 kick-off

First division

Dungannon v Young Munster
Greystones v Shannon
Old Wesley v Cork Constitution
St Mary's College v Lansdowne

Second division

Bangor v Dolphin
Galwegians v Terenure
Instonians v Old Crescent
Old Belvedere v Ballymena
Sunday's Well v Malone

HOCKEY

ERNST AND YOUNG NORTH PREMIER LEAGUE: First division: Alderley Edge v Southport; Durham University v Norton; Hightown-Northern v Formby; Timperley v Ben Rhydding; York v Blackburn. Second division: Bowdon v Stockton; Bradford v Springfields; Disley v Wigan, Harrogate v Swalwell; Liverpool Sefton v Halifax; Ramgarhia v Tynemouth; Sheffield Bankers v Oxton; Wakefield v Knutsford.

LACE MAWER NORTH WEST LEAGUE: First division: Bramhall v Bebington, Crewe Vagrants v Cheetham Hill; Glaxo v Manchester University; Lytham St Annes v Macclesfield; Manchester YMCA v Winnington Park; Northop Hall v Colwyn Bay; Prescot v Chester; Preston v Manchester; West Derby v Morecambe.

NORTH EAST LEAGUE: First division: Billingham v Norton II; Carlisle v Sunderland; Darlington v Whitehaven; Newcastle University v Redcar; Stockton II v Durham University II.

NASTRO AZZURRO SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier division: City of Portsmouth v Wimbledon; Dulwich v Tulse Hill; Fareham v Staines; Hendon v Lyons; Maidenhead v Chichester; Old Kingstonians v Anchorians; Old Walcountians v Mid Sussex; Oxford Hawks v Hampstead and Westminster; Winchester v High Wycombe.

WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE: Premier division: Clifton v Ipswich; Ealing v Balsam Leicester; FP Sutton Coldfield v Hightown; Slough v Chelmsford. First division: Blueharts v Doncaster; Bradford Swithenbank v Bracknell; Pickwick v Exmouth; Trojans v Wimbledon. Second division: Colwall v Great Harwood; Harleston Magpies v Woking; Olton v Canterbury; Sunderland Bedans v Sherwood.

NETBALL

NATIONAL CLUBS LEAGUE: First division: Aquila, Kent v Tongham, Hampshire (11.30); BICC, Cheshire v Linden, Birmingham (2.0); New Cambell, Essex v Harborne, Birmingham (2.0); Toucans, Middlesex v Hertford Hornets (11.0).

OTHER SPORT

BOXING: WBC super-middleweight championship: Nigel Benn (Ilford, holder) v Chris Eubank (Brighton, WBO champion) (at Old Trafford, 10.0pm).

EQUESTRIANISM: Horse of the Year Show (Wembley).

SPEEDWAY: First division: Cradley v Bradford (7.15); Coventry v Wolverhampton (7.30); King's Lynn v Arena Essex (7.30).

SQUASH: Ernst and Young English women's grand prix (Barnham Broom CC, Norwich).

TENNIS: Maureen Connolly Trophy (Stirling University).

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL

3.0 unless stated

Endsleigh Insurance League

First division

Oxford Utd v Stoke
Watford v Middlesbrough

Second division

Barnet v Cardiff (all ticket, 1.0)

STEVE NICOL TESTIMONIAL: Liverpool v Terry Venables' Great Britain XI.

BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Cobh Ramblers v Bohemians; Derry City v Shamrock Rovers (3.30); Dundalk v Monaghan United (3.30); Limerick v Drogheda United (3.30); St Patrick's Athletic v Galway United (3.30)

WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE: Premier division: Arsenal v Leasowe Pacific; Ipswich Town v Doncaster Belles; Millwall Lionesses v Knowsley United; Stanton Rangers v Red Star Southampton; Wimbledon v Wembley.

RUGBY LEAGUE

3.0 unless stated

John Smith's tour match

Wigan v New Zealand

Stones Bitter Championship

First division

Bradford v Warrington
Castleford v Hull KR (3.30)
Hull v Widnes (3.15)
Oldham v Leeds
St Helens v Wakefield
Sheffield v Featherstone (3.15)

Second division

Batley v Highfield (3.15)
Bramley v Rochdale (3.30)
Doncaster v Carlisle
Hunslet v Barrow (3.30)
Keighley v Whitehaven (3.15)
London Crusaders v Ryedale York
Swinton v Huddersfield
Workington v Dewsbury

HOCKEY

PIZZA EXPRESS NATIONAL LEAGUE: First division: Firebrands v Bournville (Longwood, Bristol, 2.0); Indian Gymkhana v Canterbury (Feltham School, 2.0); Old Loughtonians v Welton (Chigwell, 2.30); Reading v Hounslow (Birmingham University, 12.0); Slough v Cannock (Wexham School, 2.0); Southgate v Teddington (Broomfield School, 2.0); St Albans v Havant (Clarence Park, 2.0); Stourport v East Grinstead (King Charles School, Kidderminster, 2.30); Trojans v Bromley (Stoneham Lane, 1.30). Second division: Doncaster v Sheffield (Quibell Park, Scunthorpe, 2.30); Gloucester City v Edgbaston (Plock Court, 1.30); Harborne v Oxford University (Birmingham University, 2.30); Harleston Magpies v Cambridge City (Shelford Heath, 2.0), Isca v Brooklands (Exeter School, 2.0); Neston v Cheltenham (Neston RC, 2.0); Richmond v Guildford (Teddington School, 2.0), Surbiton v Barford Tigers (Sugden Road, 2.30); Warrington v Beeston (Broomfields Road, 2.0)

ALL ENGLAND WOMEN'S HOCKEY ASSOCIATION CUP: First round: Aces v GRFC; Aldermaston v Wimborne Wayfarers; Aldridge v Charnwood; Ambleside v White Knight Heywood; BAC v Weymouth; Barnes v Rochester and Gillingham; Bexley Heath v Guildford; Billingham v Rosebery; Bournemouth v City of Portsmouth; Brockworth v Pressed Steel Fisher; Broxbourne v Towcestrians; Burgess Hill v Folkestone Optimists; Cambridge City v Northampton; Carlisle v Springfields; Chester v Sileby; Chiltern v Basildon; Chippenham v New Milton; Colchester v Southgate Adelaide; Crosby v Oldham; Darlington v Tynedale; Deeside Ramblers v Poynton; Dudley v Leicester University; East Glos v City of Oxford; Edgbaston v West Witney; Epsom v Camberley; Exeter v St Austell; Exeter University v Yate; Farnham Common v Cheltenham; Firebrands v Shipston-on-Stour; GEC Rugby v Gloucester City; Harrow v Brentwood; Haverhill v Huntingdon; Hendon v Clacton; Hornless Chapel v North Staffs; Ipswich and East Suffolk v Dereham, Kettering v Bishops Stortford; Kings Heath v Bridgnorth; Letchworth v Phoenix; Lewes v Atalanta, Leyland Motors v Crewe and Alsager College; Loughborough v Hampton; Loughborough Students v Bramhall; Luton Town v Berkhamsted and Hemel Hempstead; Lytchett Minster v Weston; Marlow v Wapping; Matlock Baileans v Crimson Ramblers, Milton Keynes v Croydon MO; Newent v Oxford Hawks; New Sarum v Sonning, Newton Abbot v St Agnes; North Wilts v Basingstoke, Norwich City v Saracens; Old Loughtonians v Staines; Ormskirk v Castletown; Paviors v Welton; Pelicans v Bury; Penzance v Teignmouth; Polytechnic v Leighton Buzzard; Reading v East London, Redbridge and Ilford v Richmond; Rolls Royce v Belper; Royston v St Albans; Shewsbury v Winnington Park; South Saxons v Burnt Ash; Stourport v Wolverhampton; Surbiton v Southampton; Swindon v Cheam; Tring v Bedford College; Tulse Hill v British Airways; Tunbridge Wells v Belvedere; Wallington v Southgate; Welwyn Garden City v Cambridge University; West Wilts v Eastleigh; Whitley Bay v Scarborough; Wigan v Bowdon; Winchmore Hill v Eastcote; Wokingham v Dulwich; Wootton Bassett v Yateley; Worthing v Hounslow; York v Newcastle; Yorkshire Bank v Morpeth.

ICE HOCKEY

BENSON AND HEDGES CUP: Murrayfield v Sheffield; Durham v Fife; Humberside v Whitley; Romford v Peterborough; Bracknell v Swindon.

OTHER SPORT

EQUESTRIANISM: Horse of the Year Show (Wembley).

SPEEDWAY: First division: Eastbourne v King's Lynn (7.30). Second division: Newcastle v Peterborough (7.00). Rye House: Open (4.0); Sheffield v Middlesbrough (7.30). First division knockout cup: semi-final, second leg: Belle Vue v Arena Essex (2.30). Scottish Cup: Glasgow v Edinburgh (6.30).

SQUASH: Ernst & Young English Women's Grand Prix (Barnham Broom CC, Norwich)

Wilkinson succeeds where six others failed

Rob Hughes on the commercial revolution achieved at Leeds over the past five years

Whatever the year and whatever the commercial climate, the welfare of professional football clubs depends on two sets of relationships — the rapport between players and supporters, and the partnership between chairman and team manager.

Five years ago this weekend, the Leeds United chairman, Leslie Silver, invited Howard Wilkinson to succeed where six others, Brian Clough included, had failed and revive Leeds out of post-Revie decline.

Today, though elimination at the hands of Sunderland from the Coca-Cola Cup on Wednesday cost the club upwards of £2 million in revenue, that is a tremor in the pulse of progress at Elland Road. Even the experience of last season, when Leeds slumped to seventeenth after winning the championship the year before, does not give Silver the slightest doubt that Wilkinson is worth the managerial salary he assures us is equal to that being paid by Manchester United, Arsenal or anyone else.

"Success at a football club turns on 11 players on a Saturday or a Wednesday and that turns on the ability of a manager to buy or groom the right players, and to motivate them," Silver said.

"The strength and ability of our manager to get us to the championship when we were not really ready spoke volumes. Then, when we had the anguish of learning that we weren't really gods, that we still could make mistakes, it was up to the board to have faith in Howard. He identified a problem that the goalkeeper had lost confidence, problems at the centre of our defence and the need for a new centre forward."

Leeds signed a goalkeeper, Mark Beeney, the experienced defender, David O'Leary, and the £2.7 million striker, Brian Deane, and still gave themselves palpitations when the new team was destroyed at home by Norwich City. Since then, however, they have won five consecutive league games, better than the championship season, better than anything over 20 years.

The change under Wilkinson is crystal clear. When he walked in, the club stood next to bottom of the second division, its last crowd had been 15,657. Now, and for four years, the average crowd has been over 31,000 and, at today's prices of between £18 and £12 a seat, each home game generates the best part of £500,000.

Commercially, Wilkinson knows, the club has achieved a revolution. Five years ago, the annual turnover was £1.5 million; today, it is £13 million. The playing staff in 1988 was worth £1.5 million; today's estimate multiplies that 12 times. How do you cost a youth scheme, started from scratch, good enough to beat Manchester United in last May's FA Youth Cup final?

Silver, who began as a boy from London's East End Jewish rag trade, first saw football at Arsenal in 1934. He was bewitched then by Alex James and is now by Gordon Strachan. The wee Scot has been the one constant leader of Leeds's success on the base of the second division over five years. How sad it was to see him kicked unnecessarily late and high during the defeat against Sunderland last Wednesday. That kick earned Derek Ferguson a yellow card and will cost Strachan a month out of his game with damaged knee ligaments.

Strachan will use that month to observe even closer the stability and the workings of Wilkinson. Strachan would be the logical choice to continue the formula, of which Silver is now such a devotee.

"We believe Howard could not be tempted away, though there is always the fear of someone from abroad coming in," Silver said.

That support is in far more than material wealth. During the last month, Silver was flabbergasted when another club's manager, one of the highest-paid men in the game, sidled up and asked him: "Mr chairman, do you speak to Howard?" Of course he did, daily, said Silver, whose own commitment to the club is worth £4 million. The unnamed enquiring manager scowled and said: "Nobody here ever says a dicky bird to me."

Women wear the trousers in cricket cup



SIMON BARNES On Saturday

IT COMES as no great shock to learn that there will be a cricket tournament in Sharjah in December: the world capital of cricket, out there in the Middle East, has been setting up tournaments for years. But this time, the tournament is for women. The tournament should involve England — world champions and superstars of England's sporting summer — India and Australia. The chance to compete is prize enough for most English players, but the tournament is to be sponsored by Askai Advertising and there is likely to be some tasty prize-money as well.

So far, so lovely, but let us move on to the vexed question of trousers. It will have escaped no clear-sighted observer that the main difference between men's and women's cricket is that while English men play cricket in trousers, English women play in funny little skirts. It is also true that the Middle East does not, on the whole, like vast areas of female thigh — not in public, anyway. So it seems likely that the English and Australian women must migrate to flannels: the Indian team already play in trousers.

I think it is a good move, myself, and one that should be maintained into the English summer that follows. I am all for overturning traditions — if they are silly traditions. I just hope that the women will not be asked to wear coloured pyjamas. Women pride themselves on maintaining most truly the real traditions of cricket: white trousers is the best garb for such a thing.

"I shall wear white flannel trousers, and walk along the beach
I have heard the mermaids singing each to each
I do not think that they will sing to me,"

as Prufrock so rightly pointed out.

Growing pain

It comes as something of a surprise to find Julian Clary quoted and photographed in *Regatta*, the oarspersons' magazine. He says: "When I was little, I was a coxswain for Kingston Rowing Club, but when I got too big I started rowing. While I loved being in charge of eight men and shouting at them, I didn't like being shouted at myself by some little squirt."

Turin cloud

One of the most fearsome of local derbies in football is the one in Turin, between Juventus and Torino. To support Juventus is to accept the town's domination by Fiat and the Agnelli family; the team is called *La signora d'Italia*, the lady of Italy. Torino, very much an artisan club, represents a rejection of all that: a defiant poor-but-honest, who-cares-about-bought-success attitude to football. All very well on paper, rather disquieting to live through, or drive through. Fabrizio Ravanelli was one of the outstanding players for Juvé in their 3-2 win over Torino last Sunday. Ravanelli, 24, is prematurely white-haired: if that hadn't been the case already, his hair would have have turned white last Sunday for, on leaving the ground, he got stuck in a traffic jam.

He was recognised by that distinguished head and a bunch of Torino supporters poured from a van to set about his car, damaging the bodywork and kicking in the lights. "The windows resisted," I learn: no doubt they put up a good fight. Ravanelli got away when the lights changed.

Drink drive

A hand-out from the Advisory Council on Alchohol and Drug Education landed on my desk, with the slogan: "Educating for health and fighting the misuse of alchohol and other drugs." I admire the way they are trying to get alcohol accepted as just another drug. That is what it is, after all: but it will never be accepted as such. So much of society is based around alcohol consumption, after all. I cannot really see the day when our footballers will play for the Red Leb Cannibis Cup, or when our cricketers will carry logos for Trippy Grass on their bosoms. Yet footballers do play for the FA Carling Premiership and cricketers do wear Tetley's Bitter patches. Why, even tobacco sponsorship would cause an outrage in such places these days and it is not as if you are likely to run amok after a packet of 20. Fag packets must bear the most fearsome labels telling you not to smoke them, but you never get a bottle of hooch that tells you: "This will wreck your liver", "You will go crazy if you drink too much of this stuff" or "Most serious head injuries have their root cause in drunkenness". Sport, like everything else, operates along a fine line of hypocrisy.



Taylor's spirits lifted by attitude of players

BY KEITH PIKE

LES Ferdinand reported for World Cup duty with England yesterday, even though his chances of playing against Holland in Rotterdam on Wednesday appear remote.

Ferdinand, the Queens Park Rangers striker, arrived at England's Buckinghamshire headquarters still nursing the hamstring injury that Gerry Francis, the Rangers manager, believes will keep him out of action for up to three weeks' time. Yet Ferdinand gave Graham Taylor a lift simply by turning up.

"I am pleased that all 22 members of the squad have reported," the England manager said. "This is an indication of both the clubs' and the players' commitment to the England cause. Perhaps just as important, all the players have reported in a very confident and determined mood for the task ahead."

The first task for the England medical team was to determine the fitness of three players: Ferdinand, Ian Wright, the Arsenal forward who has a knee injury, and Stuart Pearce, the captain and Nottingham Forest defender, who has a thigh strain.

There was better news for Jack Charlton, the Ireland manager. Paul McGrath, the Aston Villa central defender, has told him that a hamstring injury should not prevent him playing in the World Cup tie against Spain at Lansdowne Road on Wednesday.

Maurice Johnston, the striker signed from Rangers for £1.5 million nearly two years ago, has been told he can leave Everton on a free transfer. Howard Kendall, the Everton manager, has not had a bid for Johnston, 30, since putting him up for sale last month. "All managers make mistakes," Kendall said. "There's no guarantee, no matter how much you pay, that a player will be a success."

The future for Brighton, the financially-stricken second division club, again looks uncertain after the collapse yesterday of a proposed £5 million takover bid by a company based in the United States. Brighton have debts of £3.2 million and have been served with a winding-up order.

Aldershot Town, the Diadora League club formed after the collapse of Aldershot FC last year with debts of more than £1 million, made a profit of £29,000 in their first season.

Terry Cooper, the Birmingham City manager, is being reported to the Football Association over comments he made to Gerald Ashby, the referee, after their Coca-Cola Cup tie against Aston Villa on Wednesday. Cooper criticised Ashby's decision to send off Paul Tait for violent conduct.

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The Zambia players go through their paces in training during the World Cup campaign that has taken them to within reach of the finals

Final act in rebirth of a nation



For Zambia, a World Cup match in Casablanca tomorrow is more than a game, **Andrew Longmore** writes

A JOURNEY that began 12 months and 18 lives ago will end in the National Football Stadium here in Casablanca tomorrow. Stark statistics show that Zambia need one point from their final group match against Morocco to qualify for the World Cup finals in the United States next summer.

But anyone who thought football was just a game should look into the eyes of Kalusha Bwalya, captain of the Zambian team, and think again. Or perhaps travel to a remote village of Kabwe, in the Zambian copper belt, and see four-year-old Eric Chomba, whose father, Samuel, was one of 18 national team members killed in the air disaster nearly six months ago. Chomba is being brought up in footballing ways by his uncle, but only in years to come will he understand why on October 10, 1993, the whole of his country stood still, listening, watching and waiting.

Never has the simple matter of winning or losing a football match carried such weight. Just one point and the death of a football team would be given a sense of purpose and justification. Defeat, whatever the dignity and honour attached to it, would leave the mission unfulfilled, the circle broken, the ghosts still alive for those who have become the focus of a nation's grief and rebirth.

The debts are not just in the mind either. Half the £200,000 raised by the disaster fund has been used to finance the recovery of the national team. So far, it has been hard-earned money — the average wage in Zambia is no more than £200 a month — well-spent and, if the team should qualify for the finals, the return on the investment would be incalculable.

Zambia have not lost in six matches since the day of the tragedy, an improbable record that makes it hard for the team not to detect the forces of destiny at work. Bwalya, intelligent, articulate, the idol of every Zambian child kicking newspaper footballs on dusty streets, is one of the few able to put such emotions into words.

"We are all trying to do the things those who died were trying to do. I'm still here and they are not, but I feel that close to them when I play. I feel their spirit and I am lucky to be able to see what they cannot see. I am the captain and also their guide. Maybe they can see through me. I just hope I am a good representative of them," he said.

Bwalya has experienced many big occasions with his club, PSV Eindhoven, but is in no doubt about the significance of tomorrow's match. "I've been waiting all my life for this. Before, we have come to within two or three games of qualifying, but we have never really smelt it. Now it can happen and if we do it, it will be not just for ourselves and our families, but for the entire country."

In the aftermath of the tragedy, Bwalya discarded his dreams of the World Cup and joined the country in the mourning for his friends. Only slowly did the idea of renewing the campaign gain support from the families and the people until the decision to continue became not so much inevitable as imperative. After three practice matches, hastily arranged in the footballing heartland of the copper mines, a new squad was selected for intensive training.

"I thought it would be impossible even to come this close," Bwalya said. "Everyone thought we had reached the end, but life goes on and kids five years old need to have inspiration. We have to give them something to go for. It was a big decision to go on, but a good one and if someone hadn't wanted us to do it, we wouldn't be where we are now. It would have gone wrong a long time ago."

For the last four months, the team has been guided by Ian Porterfield, a former FA Cup-winner with Sunderland, whose experiences of management at Rotherham United, Aberdeen and Chelsea, among other clubs, had done little to prepare him for the role of saint thrust on him after the 4-0 victory over Senegal two weeks ago. He cannot even take a swim without a hundred smiling faces peering over the wall, calling "Porterfeel, Porterfeel". Should Zambia reach the World Cup finals, the tough Scot, whose contract ends at the final whistle tomorrow, might find it very hard to resist the calls for more. Like everyone else, he has become entranced.

Back in Lusaka tomorrow afternoon, the silence will testify to the importance of the moment. The Zambian National Broadcasting Company has raised $10,000 (about £6,600) to buy the rights to televise the game and thousands will gather in bars to watch the final act. "Football has become the symbol of the rebirth of the nation. It has encouraged a great sense of identity and everyone has been affected by it, expatriates as much as the Zambian people." Tim Andrews, of the British High Commission, said. "On match days, there is an ethereal silence. When the team scores, there is an explosion of noise from every street corner, every house, and victory is greeted with shouting and the sound of car horns. It has been impossible to live in Zambia without becoming involved in the football."

Bwalya has seen that spirit of community reflected in the strength and will of his team. Before, he said, they were individuals, often speaking different languages. Now, they are one. "Together, we feel we can conquer the world," he said, "but it has been a long, tough road and it feels like we've been travelling down it for ten years." By tomorrow evening, he will surely be setting out on a happier journey.



Porterfield, left, involved in tactical discussion

Television exposure will increase profile

Sydney Friskin on the challenge facing Britain's hockey players as they prepare for the World Cup in Sydney

A SEASON of exciting possibilities starts at noon tomorrow at Birmingham University where the television cameras will record the first division match between Hounslow, the champions, and Reading. It will be screened by Sky Sports on Tuesday evening.

This marks the beginning of a 23-week package featuring important games in the Pizza Express National League and Hockey Association Cup, which will do much to raise the profile of the game. A leading game each week will be played at Birmingham University and filmed by their own television services unit.

There is no lack of incentive with both young and experienced players battling for places in next year's World Cup in Sydney, Australia, and in the Great Britain team for the Champions Trophy at Lahore, Pakistan, from March 17 to 25.

New interest in the league has been added by Oxford becoming the first university side to qualify. They have been fortunate in retaining nine members of last year's team, but they may have difficulty maintaining their standard.

When the first round of the Hockey Association Cup starts on October 17, 112 clubs will be in action. The survivors of the second round a fortnight later will be joined in the third round by the 36 teams in the league and the competition will proceed after an open draw.

For tomorrow's match at Birmingham, Hounslow are taking a full side packed with internationals and rising young talent. Reading, second division champions last season, have acquired Mark Hoskin from Oxford University, who was joined by his brother, Howard, and Jon Wyatt, both from the England junior World Cup squad.

Tomorrow's programme elsewhere features an early, key match between Southgate and Teddington, who drew 1-1 last season. Southgate are omitting Freeman, who is injured, and Bill Waugh, from the junior World Cup squad, who is unavailable. Teddington, led by Jason Laslett, are expected to challenge strongly for honours.

Havant visit St Albans with Robert Hill returning from Firebrands, full of vigour and eagerness to score from short corners. Except for a doubt about Faulkner's fitness, Havant have no problems. Peter Nail, however, is unavailable for the first three weeks of the league because of his studies. The visit of East Grinstead to Stourport and the match between Old Loughtonians and Welton add flavour to the day's proceedings. The exclusion of Slough, at home tomorrow to Cannock, from the series of televised matches seems a little unfair considering their past record. As one of the few clubs who have secured sponsorship, they could have done with a little exposure.

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THUNDERER
2.20 Major Kinsman. 2.50 Clay County. 3.20 Saymore. 3.50 Camelot Knight. 4.20 Judges Fancy. 4.55 Wordsmith. 5.25 Topping Tom.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT, SOFT IN PLACES SIS

2.20 FENNS BANK NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,274: 2m 4f) (7 runners)

1	31-F	MAJOR KINSMAN 7 (CJS) R Lee 8-11-10	L Harvey	
2	-362	SIR PAGEANT 21 K Bridgwater 4-11-3	D Leahy (5)	
3	13S0	JALORE 10 (CD,F) S Coathup 4-10-13	R Greene	
4	0-05	COURT OF KINGS 4 J Bradley 4-10-4	R Farrant (5)	
5	2F-4	MAUREEN'S FANCY 14 J Parfes 8-10-2	N Smith	
6	PP0-	RIDDLEMEROO 147 A Forbes 8-10-0	T Eley (5)	
7	35-5	JACK'S BARN 9 (B) J Bosley 9-10-0	M Bosley	

5-2 Sir Pageant, 3-1 Jalore, 4-1 Major Kinsman, 11-2 Maureen's Fancy, 7-1 Court Of Kings, 8-1 Jack's Barn, 20-1 Riddlemeroo

2.50 STADCO HANDICAP CHASE (£3,562: 2m 1f 110yd) (3)

1	144-	CLAY COUNTY 170 (D,F,G,S) R Allan 8-12-2	R Dunwoody
2	26F-	ATLAAL 179 (F,G,S) J Jenkins 8-11-4	J Osborne
3	4-P0	ORCHIPEDZO 14 (F) F Lloyd 8-10-0	Judy Davies (7)

4-6 Atlaal, 11-8 Clay County, 12-1 Orchipedzo.

3.20 NUMARK HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,030: 2m 1f) (6)

1	023-	ANDERMATT 175 (S) J Mackie 8-11-12	J Osborne
2	B-33	FLOWING RIVER 7 (BF,F,G) R Allan 7-10-9	R Dunwoody
3	330-	EASTERN MAGIC 80F (S) G Balding 5-10-4	A Procter (5)
4	-133	SAYMORE 14 (CD,F,G) R Hollinshead 7-10-2	S Wynne (3)
5	P4-0	EASBY MANDARINA 17 (D,G,S) S Kettlewell 6-10-0	R Garritty
6	-U05	MY LINDIANNE 14 (S) J Doyle 6-10-0	M Hourigan (3)

2-1 Saymore, 5-2 Flowing River, 4-1 Eastern Magic, 5-1 Andermatt, 10-1 Easby Mandrina, 12-1 My Lindianne.

3.50 WILLIS CORROON HANDICAP CHASE (£4,417: 3m 110yd) (5)

1	0/3-	WHATS THE CRACK 374 (D,G) D Nicholson 10-12-0	W Marston (3)
2	114-	MOSSY FERN 162 (D,F,G,S) D Sherwood 7-11-8	J Osborne
3	13/P	BISHOPDALE 17 (CD,F,G,S) S Chadwick 12-11-3	K Johnson
4	P3-3	CAMELOT KNIGHT 16 (D,S) N Twiston-Davies 7-10-7	C Llewellyn
5	135-	SOONER STILL 131 (D,F,G,S) C Cowley 9-10-5	Judy Davies (7)

6-4 Mossy Fern, 9-4 Camelot Knight, 9-2 Whats The Crack, 5-1 Sooner Still, 16-1 Bishopdale.

4.20 THELWALL MEMORIAL TROPHY NOVICES CHASE (£3,241: 2m 4f 110yd) (6)

1	F01-	BOLL WEEVIL 180 (G,S) O Sherwood 7-11-2	J Osborne	
2	5222	CRAFTY CHAPLAIN 21 D McCain 7-11-2	Mr D McCain (5)	
3	00F-	JUDGES FANCY 165 (G,S) N Twiston-Davies 8-11-2	C Llewellyn	
4	4UP-	ON THE TEAR 221 F Lloyd 7-11-2	R Dunwoody	
5	441-	BEACHY HEAD 147F (G,S) J J O'Neill 5-11-0	M Dwyer	
6	U5-F	MISS SHAW 14 E Owen jun 7-10-11	A Thornton (3)	

6-4 Beachy Head, 7-4 Judges Fancy, 5-1 Boll Weevil, 8-1 Crafty Craftsman, 12-1 Miss Shaw, 16-1 On The Tear.

4.55 COCK BANK JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £2,389: 2m 1f) (12)

1	130	PYRRHIC DANCE 10 (D,F) C Mann 11-4	R Dunwoody
2		ALMONTY 35F A Forbes 11-0	T Eley (5)
3	3	DEMBLUNE 16 N Twiston-Davies 11-0	C Llewellyn
4		DIWALI DANCER 32F A Bailey 11-0	T Wall
5	5	MY BALLYBOY 54F A Bailey 11-0	A Procter (5)
6	4	PEEDIE PEAT 49 J J O'Neill 11-0	M Dwyer
7	52R	STAR MARKET 10 Mrs P Joynes 11-0	Mr S Joynes (7)
8		TARGET LINE 430F (V) D McCain 11-0	Mr D McCain (5)
9		TURFMANS VISION 52F R Hollinshead 11-0	S Wynne (3)
10		WORDSMITH 71F D Burchell 11-0	D J Burchell
11	0	BONITA BEE 35 J McConnochie 10-9	W Marston (3)
12		GUNNER SUE M Scudamore 10-9	S McNeill

2-1 Peedie Peat, 7-2 Demblune, 5-1 Wordsmith, 6-1 Star Market, 7-1 Pyrrhic Dance, 10-1 Turfmans Vision, 16-1 Diwali Dancer, 33-1 others.

5.25 EBF NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,805: 2m 1f) (15)

1	1-	LE GIANNO 180 (S) C Brooks 6-11-11	Mr Raymond White
2		BUCKHALL BOY R Brotherton 4-11-4	A Shakespeare (7)
3		COMEINTOTHELIGHT H Kavanagh 5-11-4	P Hide (5)
4		GALES CAVALIER O Gandolfo 5-11-4	Mr P Cashman (7)
5		GAYTON RUN G Barnett 4-11-4	A Procter (5)
6		KING RUST R Brown 5-11-4	Mr J L Llewellyn (7)
7		LACURVA M Williamson 5-11-4	P Ward (7)
8	0-	MISTY GREY 200 G Ferro 4-11-4	S Lycett (7)
9	3/	STEEL FABRICATOR 645 J J O'Neill 6-11-4	A Lamach (3)
10	P/	TAFFY POWELL 514 J Bradley 6-11-4	R Farrant (5)
11	2	TOPPING TOM 17 (BF) N Twiston-Davies 4-11-4	V Slattery
12		TOUGH DEAL P Bradley 5-11-4	Mr B Leavy
13		WESTCOURT FLYER M W Easterby 4-11-4	J Driscoll (7)
14		LIVE A LITTLE W Brisbourne 4-10-13	A Flavelgan (7)
15		MAYINA N Twiston-Davies 4-10-13	Mr M Rimell (7)

2-1 Le Gianno, 5-2 Topping Tom, 4-1 Steel Fabricator, 8-1 Mayina, 10-1 Westcourt Flyer, 14-1 Celtic Cardiac, 16-1 Lacurva, 25-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: S Kettlewell, 3 winners from 6 runners, 50.0%; J Jenkins, 4 from 14, 28.6%; N Twiston-Davies, 9 from 33, 27.3%; D Nicholson, 4 from 18, 22.2%; J J O'Neill, 7 from 33, 21.2%; C Brooks, 3 from 16, 18.8%.

JOCKEYS: M Dwyer, 9 winners from 41 rides, 22.0%; S McNeill, 6 from 28, 21.4%; C Llewellyn, from 38, 21.1%; L Harvey, 5 from 25, 20.0%; R Dunwoody, 13 from 66, 19.7%; R Garritty 4 from 26, 15.4%.

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Grand Lodge entered for Dewhurst

By Julian Muscat


STEPHEN MARKESON

Grand Lodge's home gallops have pleased trainer William Jarvis sufficiently to justify a supplementary entry to the Dewhurst Stakes

THE champion British two-year-old will almost certainly be decided in the Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket next Friday after six high-class colts were yesterday supplemented to the group one test over seven furlongs.

The additional entries, at £12,500 each, are Alanees, Grand Lodge, Mutakddim, Polish Laughter, the French-trained Psychobabble and Redoubtable. Their presence has swelled the prize-money pool to £230,000, making this year's the richest Dewhurst.

This sextet alone would provide a spectacle worthy of the occasion, but among those lying in wait is Stonehatch, whom trainer Peter Chapple-Hyam yesterday confirmed was on target for the race. A former favourite for next year's 2,000 Guineas, Stonehatch has not run since being beaten half-a-length by First Trump at Goodwood in July.

Since then, the mantle of favourite for the colts' classic has changed hands several times. Grand Lodge is the latest recipient after the William Jarvis-trained colt raced to a fluent victory over course and distance two weeks ago.

Jarvis has been pleased with the subsequent progress of Lord Howard de Walden's homebred, who will again have Pat Eddery in the saddle. Grand Lodge's two victories have come with some give underfoot, but his trainer is satisfied he does not need such conditions to show his best.

Explaining his decision to persevere with Eddery, who rode the chestnut to victory last time, Jarvis said: "At this stage of Grand Lodge's career I feel he is the best man. He probably won't be able to ride the horse next year due to his retaining commitments, but there will be plenty of decent jockeys around if the horse is good enough."

Geoffrey Gibbs, the senior handicapper responsible for assessing the two-year-old crop, said yesterday that an impressive Dewhurst winner would all but secure domestic championship honours. He professed to be clearer than most on the merits of this year's vintage.

"At the moment I've got Grand Lodge, Lemon Souffle and Turtle Island joint top-rated on 118, although I am slightly nervous about it," Gibbs said. "I've got 15 horses rated within 8lb of each other, but Grand Lodge has put up the best performance in my view. His last run was a very promising one from a horse who is still relatively green."

For Gibbs, the two "blots" in Pattern race form thus far have come from Turtle Island, when fourth in the Middle Park Stakes behind First Trump, and from First Trump himself, when third to Polish Laughter and Alanees in the Mill Reef Stakes.

However, Polish Laughter and Alanees have the opportunity to prove their worth in the Dewhurst next week, when another supplementary entry, Redoubtable, will further represent Middle Park form, where he ran third.

The British Horseracing Board's race planning department, currently reviewing the entry system with particular emphasis on early-closing two-year-old races like the Dewhurst, will no doubt have noticed that all six supplementary entries were made on behalf of wealthy patrons. Bjorn Nielsen, the least-known of the six in racing circles, is probably feeling flush from the sale of his grand stayer, Assessor, only last week. The race planning department faces no easy task in unearthing a solution to suit all pockets.

Mazentre Forward favoured by going

YORK
C4

2.15: **Coltrane's** front-running tactics could pay provided he can overcome a moderate draw. He has only a 4lb penalty for winning by seven lengths at Folkestone on Tuesday and must go well. Gold Blade is ideally drawn, handles the ground and, with Silver Groom, poses the main threat.

2.45: **Mazentre Forward**, proven in the mud, looks the safest bet having shown markedly improved form when winning at Salisbury ten days ago. Palacegate Jack and Ehtfaal are far from certain to like the going.

3.15: Although this race looks difficult, heavy ground rules out the chances of many. Petersford Girl has scope for improvement and should appreciate the return to six furlongs, while the going can help Benzoe reverse Ayr Silver Cup form with Sobering Thoughts. **Nordan Raider**, who relishes these conditions, won as she liked last time at Nottingham and looks sure to go close.

3.45: **Leif The Lucky** showed signs last time of returning to his early-season form, which saw him win two handicaps comfortably on soft ground. He has slipped down the handicap and is 11lb lower than his winning mark at Carlisle, where the ground was heavy. Pusey Street Boy is not harshly treated but the main threat could come from Rural Lad, for whom Pat Eddery is an interesting booking.

TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

WORCESTER
BBC1

2.25: Hats High is the best treated runner but his determination is questionable. Trendy Auctioneer may find the ground too soft while Brown Sauce is yet to convert his ability into racecourse achievement. **Sultan's Son**, winner of two similar races last season, goes well enough fresh to win on his seasonal debut.

2.55: Brandeston and Panto Prince would prefer faster going while Viridian probably needs further. Wick Pound is accident prone but has a live chance if putting in a clear round, while **Musthaveaswig** is attractively handicapped, will not mind the ground and has scope for improvement.

3.25: Desperate improves with every run but the shorter trip may not suit. By contrast, **James The First** should appreciate this step up in distance and looks well handicapped despite winning four times last year. A pipe-opener a week ago should have put him spot on.

RICHARD EVANS

YORK

THUNDERER
2.15 FOX SPARROW (nap) 3.45 Hawaii Storm
2.45 Mazentre Forward 4.15 Mashaallah
3.15 Sunday's Hill 4.45 Azhaar
5.15 Nizaal

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.45 Ehtfaal. 3.15 NAGIDA (nap). 3.45 Our Rita.
The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.15 COLTRANE.

GOING: HEAVY DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

2.15 CROWTHER HOMES HANDICAP (C4)
(£9,325: 1m 205yd) (20 runners)

101 (8) 122605 DRUMMER HICKS 29 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs N Napier) E Weymes 4-9-13 L Dettori 90
102 (20) 0504 FOX SPARROW 18 (Miss M Sheriffe) R Charlton 3-9-5 Pat Eddery 88
103 (19) 0024-03 EUROTWIST 238J (G,S) (W Swiers) T Barron 4-9-2 V Halliday (7) –
104 (11) 510311 COLTRANE 4 (V,D,G,S) (M Oberstein) Lord Huntingdon 5-9-1 (4ex) A Munro [illegible]
105 (18) 0305 BEVERLY KNIGHT 15 (Miss K Grocott) D Murray Smith 3-8-12 J Reid 87
106 (15) 052101 GLOWING PATH 40J (V,F,S) (P Slade) R Hodges 3-8-12 K Darley 86
107 (5) 400/005- CHIEFS BABU 442 (F,G) (W Farrell) R O'Leary 5-8-11 M Birch –
108 (9) 520016 SALDA 18 (S) (E Thomas) R Whitaker 4-8-9 A Culhane 88
109 (13) 034000 RESOLUTE BAY 11 (F,G) (D Buckley) R Whitaker 7-8-8 S Perks 94
110 (10) 630012 SILVER GROOM 10 (BF,F,S) (Mrs A Hamilton) A Jarvis 3-8-7 T Quinn 88
111 (2) 242203 NO COMEBACKS 4 (D,F,S) (L Snowden) E Alston 5-8-6 K Fallon 91
112 (14) 300046 STOPROVERITATE 19 (G,S) (J Clark) S Norton 4-8-6 N Connorton 89
113 (1) 200614 GOLD BLADE 18 (F,G) (R Berenson) N Graham 4-8-3 W Ryan 89
114 (7) 444015 NORTHERN CONQUEROR 10 (D,F,G) T Naughton 5-8-0 D Harrison 87
115 (4) 512200 LOCK KEEPER 18 (G) (C John Hill) C Hill 7-7-12 J Lowe 93
116 (6) 455334 MARDWINS 15 (G) (Whitehills Racing Syndicate) E Alston 4-7-11 N Adams 88
117 (12) 60/0010 INFERRING 14J (F) (G Chapoury) J Wainwright 5-7-10 D Wright (5) 89
118 (17) 003500 SHEFFORD 18 (T Barker) M Usher 3-7-7 DOUBTFUL 89
119 (16) 803063 MARY MACBLAIN 23 (D Jackson) J Harris 4-7-7 J Quinn 76
120 (3) 000600 BARBARY REEF 14 (F) (R Parsons) G Eden 5-7-7 G Bardwell 78

Long handicap: Shefford 7-5, Mary Macblain 6-12, Barbary Reef 6-4.
BETTING: 6-1 Coltrane, Fox Sparrow, 10-1 Silver Groom, Northern Conqueror, 12-1 Drummer Hicks, Glowing Path, Salda, No Comebacks, 14-1 Gold Blade, Lock Keeper, Stoproveritate, 20-1 others.
1992: DRUMMER HICKS 3-8-2 D McKeown (9-4 fav) E Weymes 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

FOX SPARROW 1½l 4th of 18 to Embankment in handicap at Kempton (1m, soft). COLTRANE beat Sbergrass 7l in 14-runner conditions race at Folkestone (1m 1f 149yd, heavy). GLOWING PATH beat Kelly Mac 2½l in 12-runner seller at Haydock (1m, soft). SALDA beat Dancing Beau a head in 11-runner handicap at Beverley (1m 110yd, good to soft) on penultimate start. SILVER GROOM neck 2nd of 17 to Lawnswood Junior in handicap at Salisbury (1m, soft) with NORTHERN CONQUEROR (3lb better off) ¾l 5th. NO COMEBACKS 2¼l 3rd of 15 to Eltzia in handicap at Redcar (1m 1f, good to soft). GOLD BLADE 5¾l 4th of 23 to Mysilv in handicap at Nottingham (1m 2f, soft) with STOPROVERITATE 9½l 6th.
Selection: COLTRANE (nap)

2.45 ANC ROCKINGHAM STAKES (C4)
(Listed race: 2-Y-O: £10,173: 6f) (4 runners)

201 (2) 283111 PALACEGATE JACK 23 (D,F) (Palacegate Corporation Ltd) J Berry 9-2 J Carroll 94
202 (3) 114 EHTFAAL 23 (BF,D,F) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-11 R Hills 95
203 (1) 215331 MAZENTRE FORWARD 10 (CD,F,S) (The Winning Team) R Hannon 8-11 Pat Eddery [illegible]
204 (4) 35014 NIGHTITUDE 72 (BF,C,F) (Miss G Abbey) M Heaton-Ellis 8-6 W Ryan 93

BETTING: 2-1 Mazentre Forward, 11-4 Palacegate Jack, Ehtfaal, 7-2 Nightitude.
1992: RAIN BROTHER 8-12 D Holland (9-2) P Chapple-Hyam 8 ran

FORM FOCUS

PALACEGATE JACK beat Pinkerton's Pal neck in 6-runner listed race at Ayr (5f, good to firm) with EHTFAAL 1l 4th. EHTFAAL beat Alanees ½l in 7-runner listed race at Ripon (6f, good to firm). MAZENTRE FORWARD beat Strumpet City 4l in conditions race at Salisbury (6f, soft). NIGHTITUDE 9l 4th of 6 to Evening Falls in conditions race at Yarmouth (5f, good). Previously beat Nera short head in handicap here (5f, good to firm).
Selection: EHTFAAL

3.15 CORAL SPRINT TROPHY HANDICAP (C4)
(£13,500: 6f) (23 runners)

301 (15) 600500 DOMINUET 8 (CD,F,G,S) (Miss R Heathcote) J Spearing 8-9-10 J Lowe 89
302 (23) 211100 PALACEGATE TOUCH 21 (B,D,G,S) (Palacegate Ltd) J Berry 3-9-8 J Carroll 92
303 (10) 031003 NAGIDA 8 (BF,D,G,S) (J Toller) J Toller 4-9-8 J Weaver 90
304 (8) 100900 BARNOCK VALLEY 21 (D,F,S) (R Aird) J Berry 3-9-7 K Darley 90
305 (4) 115020 TRUTHFUL IMAGE 8 (B,D,F,G) (P Aird) M Ryan 4-9-7 D Biggs 92
306 (16) 400600 STAR FAMILY FRIEND 8 (B,D,F,G,S) M Tompkins 3-9-6 P Robinson 87
307 (20) 123106 HOW'S YER FATHER 21 (CD,F,G,S) (Unity Farms Ltd) R Hodges 7-9-4 A Munro 91
308 (7) 430000 CUMBRIAN WALTZER 21 (CD,F,G,S) M H Easterby 8-9-2 M Birch 98
309 (3) 004030 SUNDAY'S HILL 7 (V,D,F,G) (S Hinton) M Blanshard 4-9-0 T Quinn [illegible]
310 (5) 042450 SO RHYTHMICAL 64 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs C Eden) G Eden 9-8-13 G Bardwell 92
311 (19) 611500 NEITHER NOR 8 (D,F,G,S) (T Riley-Smith) D Wilson 4-8-12 J Williams 91
312 (18) 35410 SO INTREPID 53 (D,S) (Mrs P Harris) P Harris 3-8-11 Paul Eddery 94
313 (2) 603020 BORN TO BE 15 (F,G) (J Redmond) S Dow 4-8-11 B Hind 90
314 (14) 050000 GREEN DOLLAR 8 (CD,F,G) (B Azemoudeh) P Howling 10-8-11 M Tebbutt 91
315 (21) 004500 DENSBEN 15 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs J Pile) Denys Smith 9-8-11 K Fallon 91
316 (12) 134545 PETERSFORD GIRL 15 (D,G) (T Peters) Miss J Doyle 3-8-11 J Reid 97
317 (11) 400062 BENZOE 21 (B,D,S) (T Fawcett) M W Easterby 3-8-8 T Lucas 91
318 (13) 631003 MAGIC ORB 36 (F,G,S) (M Olden) J Spearing 3-8-8 A Mackay 89
319 (9) 203231 SOBERING THOUGHTS 21 (D,F,G) (W Solomon) J Eyre 7-8-6 W Ryan 94
320 (17) 050000 ANOTHER JADE 3 (D,G,S) (Mrs R Kaplan) A Jarvis 3-8-6 M Baird (7) 92
321 (6) 130465 PETRACO 15 (CD,G,S) (B Hampson) N Smith 5-8-6 G Duffield 91
322 (1) 240000 JIGSAW BOY 21 (D,F,S) (All Eight Club) P Murphy 4-8-5 S Drowne (5) 93
323 (22) 1-00161 NORDAN RAIDER 19 (D,F,S) (Miss J Camacho) M Camacho 5-8-5 L Charnock 90

BETTING: 10-1 Jigsaw Boy, Nagida, 12-1 Garnock Valley, How's Yer Father, Nordan Raider, 14-1 Benzoe, Petersford Girl, Cumbrian Waltzer, 16-1 Petraco, Sunday's Hill, So Rhythmical, 20-1 others.
1992: DENSBEN 8-8-6 K Fallon (16-1) Denys Smith 23 ran

FORM FOCUS

NAGIDA two heads 3rd of 14 to Branston Abby in handicap at Newmarket (6f, good) with STAR FAMILY FRIEND (4lb better off) 2¾l 7th, TRUTHFUL IMAGE 2l 10th and DOMINUET (1lb better off) 4l 13th. TRUTHFUL IMAGE ½l 2nd of 29 to Hard To Figure in valuable handicap at Ayr (6f, good to firm) with HOW'S YER FATHER (4lb better off) around 2l 6th, PALACEGATE TOUCH (5lb better off) 2l 12th, DOMINUET (7lb better off) 2l 16th, GARNOCK VALLEY (5lb better off) 1l 20th, CUMBRIAN WALTZER (7lb better off) ¾l 24th and GREEN DOLLAR (9lb better off) 3l 27th. HOW'S YER FATHER beat Dist 2l in 23-runner handicap over course and distance (good to soft) with NORDAN RAIDER (1lb better off) around 1l 6th, DOMINUET ¾l 7th, CUMBRIAN WALTZER 6l 11th, DENSBEN (9lb better off) ½ 14th and SO INTREPID (11lb better off) 4l 18th. SOBERING THOUGHTS beat BENZOE neck in 28-runner handicap at Ayr (6f, good to firm) with JIGSAW BOY (7lb better off) 6¾l 9th, DENSBEN (7lb better off) 1l 13th and NEITHER NOR (5lb better off) 1½l 15th.
Selection: CUMBRIAN WALTZER

3.45 CARLING BLACK LABEL LAGER HANDICAP (C4)
(£6,664: 6f 214yd) (25 runners)

401 (5) 005500 SAGEBRUSH ROLLER 14 (D,S) (A Collins) J Watts 5-10-0 G Duffield 93
402 (19) 682404 SEA DEVIL 15 (F,S) (E Noble) M Camacho 7-9-12 L Dettori 98
403 (11) 410510 BATTLE COLOURS 7 (D,F,G) (T Fawcett) Mrs J Ramsden 4-9-8 K Fallon 98
404 (13) 580F04 LEIF THE LUCKY 19 (G,S) (Miss B Doxbury) Miss S Hall 4-9-8 N Connorton 94
405 (23) 011524 THORNTON GATE 35 (D,F,G,S) (T Bennett) M H Easterby 4-9-8 S Maloney (3) 96
406 (1) 860032 OUR RITA 7 (F,G,S) (A Edwards) J Scargill 4-9-5 D Holland [illegible]
407 (17) 620300 SAVAHRA SOUND 35 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs P Barratt) S Bowring 8-9-0 S Webster 94
408 (22) 001515 FUCHU 24 (D,G) (C Brittain) C Brittain 3-9-0 B Doyle (3) 94
409 (21) 0332 AQUILETTA 51 (BF) (A Lyons) C Booth 3-8-13 T Quinn 91
410 (12) 001120 KARINSKA 5 (CD,F,G) (G Whiting) M Chapman 3-8-12 D McCabe (5) 92
411 (24) 534406 SARTIGILA 15 (S) (J Lishman) M Hammond 4-8-9 J Marshall (5) 93
412 (2) 054100 NORTHERN CHIEF 28 (D,F,S) (T Chiang) M H Easterby 3-8-9 M Birch 96
413 (10) 604003 TARTIB 9 (H Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 3-8-6 R Hills 93
414 (3) 543000 BOURSIN 15 (B,D,F,G) (K MacPherson) P Calver 4-8-5 Dale Gibson 96
415 (20) 510005 RURAL LAD 7 (D,F,G,S) (Vintage Racing) R Spicer 4-8-6 Pat Eddery 95
416 (9) 010315 PUSEY STREET BOY 5 (D,F,G,S) (M Wilkins) J Bosley 6-8-2 Paul Eddery 98
417 (15) 613300 PALACEGATE GOLD 63 (F,G) (R Hodges) R Hodges 4-8-2 A Munro 89
418 (6) 000000 GENTLE HERO 15 (V,CD,F,G,S) (M O'Grady) M Naughton 7-7-13 D Harrison 90
419 (16) 365000 DREAM CARRIER 56 (D,F,G) (S Woodall) T Barron 5-7-11 F Norton 94
420 (14) 043000 YOUNG VALENTINE 5 (D,F,S) (The PBT Group) R Whitaker 4-7-10 N Carlisle 95
421 (25) 056204 DEAD CALM 14 (V,S) (Mrs S Brook) C Tinkler 3-7-10 J Lowe 97
422 (8) 002000 TWILIGHT FALLS 135 (F,S) (C Smith) M Camacho 8-7-9 L Charnock 89
423 (18) 000-004 A LITTLE PRECIOUS 11 (G,S) (M Whalley) J Bostock 7-7-7 J Quinn 95
424 (4) 000002 HAWAII STORM 28 (D,G,S) (Miss A Whitfield) Miss A Whitfield 5-7-7 R Street 96
425 (7) 606456 KISSAVOS 32 (D,F,G) (R Baranson) C C Elsey 7-7-7 Antoinette Armes (7) 95

Long handicap: A Little Precious 7-6, Hawaii Storm 7-6, Kissavos, 7-5.
BETTING: 10-1 Sagebrush Roller, Our Rita, 11-1 Rural Lad, 12-1 Leif The Lucky, Sea Devil, 16-1 Pusey Street Boy, Karinska, Northern Chief, 20-1 Hawaii Storm, Battle Colours, Thornton Gate, Aquiletta, 25-1 others.
1992: HIGHLAND MAGIC 4-8-0 D Holland (12-1) M Fetherston-Godley 21 ran

FORM FOCUS

SAGEBRUSH ROLLER best recent effort when neck 2nd of 18 to Blue Grit in handicap at Pontefract (6f, soft) with TWILIGHT FALLS (1lb worse off) 11l 12th. SEA DEVIL 1¼l 4th of 21 to My Best Valentine in handicap at Redcar (7f, good) with BOURSIN (2lb better off) 2¼l 7th. LEIF THE LUCKY 5½l 4th of 10 to Cazanne in handicap at Pontefract (1m 2f, good). THORNTON GATE 5l 4th of 15 to Caleman in handicap at Haydock (7f, good to firm) with BOURSIN (7lb better off) 10l 10th. OUR RITA ¾l 2nd of 23 to Braveboy in handicap at Newmarket (7f, good to soft) with RURAL LAD (1lb worse off) 2½l 5th and BATTLE COLOURS (5lb better off) 6l 14th. KARINSKA best recent effort when beat Ziobaq 3l in 22-runner handicap over course and distance (good to firm) with NORTHERN CHIEF (13lb better off) 9½l 12th. PUSEY STREET BOY 5¾l 5th of 20 to Proud Brigadier in conditions race at Warwick (7f, soft) with YOUNG VALENTINE (5lb better off) 17¼l 18th.
Selection: PUSEY STREET BOY

4.15 BRAMHAM MOOR CONDITIONS STAKES
(£7,270: 1m 3f 195yd) (3 runners)

501 (3) 100-550 MASHAALLAH 146 (CD,F,G,S) J Gosden 5-9-12 L Dettori 90
502 (1) 513600 LUNAR RISK 4 (V,D,F,G) (R Hales) W Muir 3-8-9 A Munro 59
503 (2) 152 PETER QUINCE 9 (G) (Lord Howard de Walden) H Cecil 3-8-9 W Ryan [illegible]

BETTING: 4-6 Peter Quince, 11-10 Mashaallah, 100-1 Lunar Risk.
1992: JASOORAH 3-8-10 M Roberts (2-1) A Stewart 3 ran

4.45 COLDSTREAM GUARDS ASSOCIATION CUP MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES
(2-Y-O: £5,253: 7f 202yd) (6 runners)

601 (1) 03 AZHAAR 40 (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-11 R Hills [illegible]
602 (2) 5 GILBOA 105 (Lady Howard de Walden) P Walwyn 8-11 Paul Eddery –
603 (6) 52 MICROLITE 11 (Planning Consultancy Ltd) P Cole 8-11 T Quinn 96
604 (4) 2 SILVER HUT 29 (C Stelling) R Charlton 8-11 Pat Eddery 90
605 (5) 05 SUNDAY NEWS'N'ECHO 15 (F Kalla) P Kelleway 8-11 D Harrison 85
606 (3) TAHITI BEACH (C Wright) P Cole 8-11 C Rutter –

BETTING: 5-2 Azhaar, 3-1 Microlite, 4-1 Gilboa, 9-2 Silver Hut, 13-2 Sunday News'n'echo, 10-1 Tahiti Beach.
1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

5.15 STAMFORD BRIDGE CONDITIONS STAKES
(2-Y-O: £5,162: 6f 214yd) (4 runners)

1 (4) 41 NIZAAL 15 (G) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 9-1 R Hills [illegible]
2 (3) 31 WAFAYT 9 (S) (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) J Gosden 9-1 L Dettori 94
3 (2) ALCIAN BLUE (Rylands Thoroughbred Co Ltd) R Hollinshead 8-11 W Ryan –
4 (1) KINGSWOOD LEADER (L Lo) W Jarvis 8-11 K Darley –

BETTING: 11-10 Wafayt, 11-8 Nizaal, 4-1 Kingswood Leader, 16-1 Alcian Blue.
1992: EMPEROR JONES 9-4 R Cochrane (Evens fav) J Gosden 6 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
P Cole	13	47	27.7	Pat Eddery	49	221	22.2
J Gosden	28	105	26.7	F Norton	6	34	17.6
H Cecil	29	109	26.6	D Holland	11	67	16.4
J Dunlop	16	71	22.5	L Dettori	24	156	15.4
E Weymes	4	18	22.2	W Ryan	9	70	12.9
R Charlton	7	33	21.2	M Birch	20	173	11.6

☐ Andre Fabre's Ski Paradise can land a weakly-contested group one Prix de la Foret over seven furlongs at Longchamp tomorrow. Britain is represented by Tinners Way, trained by John Gosden and ridden by Pat Eddery.

WORCESTER

THUNDERER
2.25 All Present 3.55 Howaryafxd
2.55 Panto Prince 4.30 Among Friends
3.25 *Star Quest* *5.00 Simply*

GOING: SOFT SIS

2.25 BASS MITCHELLS AND BUTLERS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (BBC1)
(£1,926: 2m) (19 runners)

1 20/02U HOMILE 14 (G Fierro) G Fierro 5-11-10 S Lycett (7) 88
2 31U04- SULTAN'S SON 4F (D,F,G) (Paddocks Racing) K Bridgwater 7-11-10 D Bridgwater 98
3 /4-320 AT PEACE 52 (D, BF,F,G) (Cradon and Robery) J White 7-11-8 A Maguire –
4 F040-4 HATS HIGH 22 (B,D,G,S) (Mrs J Gray) F Gray 8-11-5 M Crosse 94
5 21-246 OTHET 24 (D,F,G) (C Budd) Mrs S Williams 9-11-4 N Hawke 96
6 /54F3- MOST INTERESTING 119F (CD,F,S) (R Bowyer) G Jones 8-11-4 B Clifford 93
7 4/P06- ALL PRESENT 199 (D,S) (A Frost) D Gandolfo 5-11-3 P Holley –
8 /30-3F BROWN SAUCE 10 (D,F) (D Powell) D Wintle 7-11-3 R Davis (5) 95
9 40-2U6 CLASS ATTRACTION 21 (BF) M Pipe 4-11-1 M Foster 89
10 3105/6 CONE LANE 63 (CD,F,G) (B Gubby Ltd) B Gubby 7-11-0 Richard Guest –
11 41-032 CORINTHIAN GOD 12 (F) (T Riley-Smith) D Wilson 4-10-8 D Murphy 97
12 045/5 FANATICAL 10F (B) (Duckhaven Stud) R Baker 7-10-7 V Slattery –
13 00534- RUTH'S PRIDE 131 (D,G) (G Price) G Price 8-10-6 Mr G Lewis (7) 92
14 001-54 TRENDY AUCTIONEER 21 (D,F,G) (P Oxford) Mrs L Jewell 5-10-3 J R Kavanagh [illegible]
15 435/60 L'ENCHERE 3 (D,F,G) (Mrs B McEntee) P McEntee 8-10-2 Paul McEntee (7) –
16 460-42 FULL SHILLING 40 (P Riley) K Burke 4-10-1 R Supple 92
17 00/0P- WAVE MASTER 18F (J Panes) R Hodges 6-10-0 T Thompson (7) –
18 PPOP0- DOTTEREL 127 (B Davies) R Brazington 5-10-0 W Humphreys –
19 P00P-U PEWTER PETA 14 (Roe Byfield Advertising) Graeme Roe 9-10-0 P McDermott –

Long handicap: Wave Master 9-5, Dotterel 9-4, Pewter Peta 8-10.
BETTING: 4-1 Hats High, 5-1 Class Attraction, 6-1 Brown Sauce, 13-2 Corinthian God, 8-1 Fanatical, Full Shilling, 10-1 Othet, 12-1 Sultan's Son, At Peace, 16-1 Most Interesting, 20-1 others.
1992: AL SKEET 6-10-0 D Tegg (16-1) R Price 20 ran

FORM FOCUS

HOMILE in lead when unseating rider 2 out in 18-runner selling hurdle here (2m 2f, good). Previously 1½l 2nd of 15 to Smart Debutante in selling hurdle at Stratford (2m 110yd, good to firm) with CLASS ATTRACTION (2lb better off) 19½l 6th. SULTAN'S SON 21l 4th of 7 to Pardon Me Mum in conditional jockeys' handicap hurdle at Hereford (2m 3f 110yd, soft).
OTHET beat Miss Equilia head in 9-runner selling hurdle at Hereford (2m 1f, good) last season with MOST INTERESTING (3lb better off) 4l 3rd, RUTH'S PRIDE (7lb better off) 6l 4th and PEWTER PETA tailed off 8th. HATS HIGH 6½l 4th of 11 to King William in handicap hurdle at Huntingdon (2m 110yd, good to firm). CORINTHIAN GOD 5l 2nd of 10 to Kalamoss in selling hurdle at Fontwell (2m 2f, good to firm).
Selection: HOMILE

2.55 BASS SPECIAL HANDICAP CHASE (BBC1)
(£2,807: 2m 4f 110yd) (6 runners)

1 1/115- BRANDESTON 329 (D,F,G,S) (G Hubbard) F Murphy 8-12-0 B Murphy (5) 90
2 12124- MUSTHAVEASWIG 154 (G) (P D Fasteners Ltd) D Nicholson 7-11-7 A Maguire 94
3 436114- PANTO PRINCE 192 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs L Warren) C Popham 12-11-5 B Powell [illegible]
4 4F21FF- WICK POUND 142 (B,D,G,S) (K Britten) J Old 7-10-11 Peter Hobbs 94
5 /PP16- VIRIDIAN 141 (C,F,G,S) (P Moriarty) E Buckley 8-10-8 H Davies 86
6 3F-052 SLIPPERY MAX 14 (F,G) (P Clarke) R Juckes 9-10-0 M A Fitzgerald 74

Long handicap: Slippery Max 9-2.
BETTING: 7-4 Brandeston, 7-2 Wick Pound, 4-1 Musthaveaswig, 6-1 Panto Prince, 7-1 others.
1992: SISTON ABBEY 7-11-4 A Maguire (7-4 fav) F Murphy 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

BRANDESTON 24l 5th of 16 to Tipping Tim in grade II Mackeson Handicap Chase at Cheltenham (2m 4f 110yd, good to soft). MUSTHAVEASWIG 10l 2nd of 4 to Superior Finish in novice chase at Ayr (3m 1f, good). PANTO PRINCE beat Little Tom 2½l 5-runner handicap chase at Chepstow (2m 3f 110yd, good to firm) on penultimate start. WICK POUND last completed when beating The Master Gunner 6l in 12-runner novice chase at Wincanton (2m 5f, good). VIRIDIAN beat Height Of Fun 2½l in 10-runner handicap chase here (2m 7f, firm) with MUSTHAVEASWIG (2lb better off) 13l 4th. SLIPPERY MAX 12l 2nd of 4 to Stepping Tim in claiming chase at Market Rasen (2m 6f 110yd, good).
Selection: PANTO PRINCE

3.25 BASS MITCHELLS AND BUTLERS HANDICAP HURDLE (BBC1)
(£3,785: 2m 5f 110yd) (9 runners)

1 1101-1 DESPERATE 7 (G,S) (The Desperate Partnership) N Twiston-Davies 5-11 10 D Bridgwater 92
2 /0221/ LEGAL BEAGLE 609 (G,S) (R Miller) G Harwood 6-11-5 M Perrett –
3 660-32 MIDFIELDER 28 (C,F,S) (Bournstream 6) P Hobbs 7-11-3 Peter Hobbs 92
4 /0P5-3 STAR QUEST 21 (BF,F) (D Morris) J Jenkins 6-10-9 A Maguire 88
5 5000/1 MEDITATOR 4 (B,G,S) (Miss J Doyle) Miss Jacqueline S Doyle 9-10-9 (5ex) S Curran (7) 95
6 6FF10- DONT TELL THE WIFE 170 (CD,S) (H & K Commissions) Miss D Haine 7 10-7 D Murphy 97
7 1130-3 JAMES THE FIRST 7 (B,BF,F,G,S) (D Nichols) P Nicholls 5-10-7 G Bradley 98
8 43R2P- RIDWAN 126 (S) (T Barr) K Morgan 6-10-2 A S Smith [illegible]
9 415P-0 KEV'S LASS 14 (C,S) (G Hubbard) F Murphy 5-10-0 P Murphy (7) 94

Long handicap: Kev's Lass 9-9.
BETTING: 11-4 Desperate, 100-30 Meditator, 5-1 Star Quest, 11-2 Midfielder, 7-1 James The First, 10-1 others.
1992: FAST THOUGHTS 5-10-2 B Powell (9-1) D Gandolfo 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

DESPERATE beat Jimbalou ¾l in 8-runner handicap hurdle at Chepstow (3m, good). LEGAL BEAGLE beat Mr Gossip neck in 12-runner handicap hurdle at Newbury (3m 110yd, good) in February 1992. MIDFIELDER 4l 2nd of 7 to Newton Point in handicap hurdle at Worcester (2m 5f 110yd, good to firm). STAR QUEST 10½l 3rd of 11 to Northern Village in handicap hurdle at Stratford (2m 6f 110yd, good to firm).
Selection: RIDWAN

3.55 CARLING BLACK LABEL NOVICES CHASE
(£2,290: 2m 7f) (10 runners)

1 6PF-60 COUNTY CONTRACTOR 16 (R Heathman Ltd) C Popham 6-11-0 P Holley –
2 0460-P GENEROUS SCOT 7 (Mrs S Sivier) A James 9-11-0 R Bellamy –
3 203P-2 HOWARYAFXD 14 (V Adams) Miss H Knight 6-11-0 M A Fitzgerald [illegible]
4 30-535 MIDDAY SHOW 12 (G) (F Sheridan) J Jenkins 6-11-0 S Smith Eccles 71
5 U605-F NOTARY-NOWELL 21 (B,G) (G Hubbard) F Murphy 7-11-0 B Murphy (5) 81
6 2/341- TARAMOSS 181 (S) (H Parker) J Edwards 6-11-0 N Williamson –
7 /F06-5 TAURUS 11 (Mrs E Hitchins) Mrs J Pitman 7-11-0 B Powell –
8 -44334 PAPPA DONT PREACH 7 (A Cohen) John R Upson 5-10 11 R Supple 69
9 PF06-U LIZZIES LASS 14 (Mrs L Crelber) F Gray 6-10-9 M Crosse –
10 5000/P QUEENS CURATE 14 (Mrs E Scott) Mrs E Scott 6-10-9 C Maude –

BETTING: 8-11 Howaryafxd, 5-1 Taramoss, 8-1 Notary-Nowell, Taurus, 12-1 Pappa Dont Preach, 14-1 others.
1992: SCOLE 7-11-0 A Maguire (7-2) F Murphy 7 ran

4.30 WORTHINGTON BEST BITTER HANDICAP CHASE
(£2,684: 2m) (4 runners)

1 44232- CAMPSEA-ASH 330 (D,F,G) (G Hubbard) F Murphy 9-12-0 B Murphy (5) [illegible]
2 21U31- TRIMLOUGH 186 (CD,F,G,S) (R H Perkins) P Dalton 8-12-0 N Mann 94
3 -43342 AMONG FRIENDS 2 (G) (The Rumble Racing Club) G Balding 8-10-0 A Maguire 92
4 PP25-4 OLD ROAD 17 (D,S) (G Wiltshire) D Wintle 7-10-0 N Williamson 82

Long handicap: Old Road 9-7.
BETTING: 5-4 Trimlough, 13-8 Campsea-Ash, 9-2 Among Friends, 7-1 Old Road.
1992: BLUSTERY FELLOW 7-10-1 W Humphreys (15-2) J Chugg 5 ran

5.00 TENNENTS PILSNER NOVICES HURDLE
(£1,480: 2m 2f) (10 runners)

1 61 DANCE PARTOUT 7 (G) (J Tudor) P Hobbs 5-11-4 Peter Hobbs 94
2 03- ARCTIC COURSE 185 (Mrs S Robins) D Nicholson 5-10-12 A Maguire –
3 SENIOR STEWARD (R Lavelle) G Balding 5-10-12 Richard Guest –
4 SOUND AND FURY (Count K Goess-Saurau) J Old 9-10-12 G Bradley –
5 THE BUD CLUB (Bud Flanagan Leukaemia Fund) K Bailey 5-10-12 N Williamson –
6 000/0 THE GREYSMITH 14 (T Leadbeater) A J Wilson 6-10-12 L Harvey 80
7 4- TOTHEWOODS 273 (R Cooper) N Twiston-Davies 5-10-12 D Bridgwater –
8 0-3455 WILL'S BOUNTY 16 (F) (Mrs T Williams) J Colston 10-10-12 Mr A Phillips (7) 83
9 0534-2 SIMPLY 3 (M Costello) R Akehurst 4-10-11 H Davies [illegible]
10 63-4 GLENFINN PRINCESS 10 (P McGinty) K Bridgwater 5-10-7 W Humphreys 80

BETTING: 5-2 Simply, 4-1 Dance Partout, 11-2 Arctic Course, 7-1 Senior Steward, 8-1 others.
1992: GREENHILL RAFFLES 6-10-12 Peter Hobbs (7-1) P Hobbs 13 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
G Harwood	7	14	50.0	M Foster	4	12	33.3
M Pipe	40	119	33.6	S Curran	3	11	27.3
Miss H Knight	11	37	29.7	N Mann	9	47	19.1
P Nicholls	5	19	26.3	A Maguire	16	84	19.0
F Murphy	6	26	23.1	S Smith Eccles	5	30	16.7

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THUNDERER
2.10 Great Max. 2.40 Challenger Row. 3.10 Brackenfield. 3.40 All's Alibi. 4.15 Boarding School. 4.50 Chief Raider.

GOING: GOOD SIS

2.10 MINISHANT NOVICES HURDLE
(£2,008: 2m) (13 runners)

1 0- BE AMBITIOUS 212 S Payne 5-10-12 K Jones
2 0/3- CORSTON RACER 381 Mrs S Bradburne 5-10-12 Mr J Bradburne
3 53/ IMPERIAL BID 12F Denys Smith 5-10-12 P Waggott (5)
4 0P-4 RED TEMPEST 16 J Goldie 5-10-12 F Perratt (7)
5 0/ STATE FLYER 15F G Oldroyd 5-10-12 P Midgley (5)
6 40-3 THE PATTERS MAGIC 17 M Hammond 6-10-12 C Grant
7 000- THISONESFORALICE 19F A Harrison 5-10-12 J Callaghan
8 0 TIME PIECE 14 N Mason 5-10-12 J Supple (7)
9 20-2 GREAT MAX 14 (BF) C Parker 4-10-11 B Storey
10 00- MARCO-PIERRE 170 J Barclay 4-10-11 G McCourt
11 /06- TARDA 15F Mrs M Reveley 5-10-7 P Niven
12 125- LOCH SCAVAIG 180 (S) D Moffatt 4-10-6 D J Moffatt (3)
13 00- THISTLE PRINCESS 239 G Richards 4-10-6 B Harding (7)

4-6 Great Max, 8-1 Imperial Bid, 10-1 The Patters Magic, 12-1 others.

2.40 MONKTON JUVENILE SELLING HURDLE
(3-Y-O: £1,892: 2m) (7)

1 0441 KISS IN THE DARK 14 (F) Mrs M Reveley 11-0 P Niven
2 34 ASTRAC TRIO 14 P Monteith 10-12 A Dobbin (3)
3 3 CHALLENGER ROW 25 C Thornton 10-12 D Wilkinson
4 REBEL KING M Barnes 10-12 P Waggott (5)
5 22 SHARP SENSATION 25 M Hammond 10-12 C Grant
6 BLUE RADIANCE 19F T Fairhurst 10-7 J Callaghan
7 4 DUSKY DUCHESS 50 Miss L Perratt 10-7 G McCourt

6-4 Kiss In The Dark, 11-4 Astrac Trio, 9-2 Sharp Sensation, 8-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: C Thornton, 5 winners from 10 runners, 50.0%; Mrs M Reveley, 24 from 68, 35.3%; G Richards, 47 from 217, 21.7%; Mrs S Bradburne, 15 from 83, 18.1%; G Moore, 15 from 86, 17.4%; M Hammond, 8 from 47, 17.0%.
JOCKEYS: D Wilkinson, 4 winners from 7 rides, 57.1%; P Niven, 32 from 115, 27.8%; N Bentley, 3 from 14, 21.4%; G McCourt, 14 from 67, 20.9%; P Williams, 5 from 33, 15.2%; F Perratt, 3 from 20, 15.0%.

3.10 SYMINGTON NOVICES CHASE
(£2,444: 3m 1f) (6)

1 14P6 DROMINA STAR 8 (F) Mrs S Bradburne 12-11-7 P Williams (5)
2 0-11 SCOTTISH GOLD 16 (F,G,S) Miss L Perratt 9-11-7 G McCourt
3 50-P BENNAN MARCH 17 P Monteith 6-11-0 A Dobbin (3)
4 111- BRACKENFIELD 175 (F,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 7-11-0 P Niven
5 /05- FLASS VALE 374 (F) T Fairhurst 5-10-11 J Callaghan
6 36-P CELTIC WATERS 16 Mrs D Thomson 8-10-9 C Dennis

4-7 Brackenfield, 7-2 Scottish Gold, 6-1 Celtic Waters, 10-1 Dromina Star, 25-1 others.

3.40 ANNBANK MAIDEN HURDLE
(£1,987: 2m 4f) (11)

1 53/ ALI'S ALIBI 563 Mrs M Reveley 6-10-12 P Niven
2 305- BELLS HILL LAD 85 J Barclay 6-10-12 G McCourt
3 436- COQUI LANE 171 G Dun 6-10-12 B Storey
4 -322 FLING IN SPRING 7 (V) Mrs S Bradburne 7-10-12 P Williams (5)
5 0/0- HOTDIGGITY 381 P Monteith 5-10-12 M Moloney
6 035- HURRICANE HORACE 178 Denys Smith 6-10-12 C Grant
7 0-3 JOHNS THE BOY 16 N Mason 7-10-12 J Supple (7)
8 0 LONDON HILL 17 Mrs D Thomson 5-10-12 Mr D Mactaggart
9 MAN OF FASHION G Moore 7-10-12 N Bentley (3)
10 POLITICAL TOWER M Barnes 6-10-12 A Dobbin (3)
11 6/3 SATIN LAKE 14 G Oldroyd 6-10-7 P Midgley (5)

3-1 Fling In Spring, 7-2 Johns The Boy, 4-1 Satin Lake, 6-1 Hurricane Horace, 7-1 Bells Hill Lad, 10-1 Coqui Lane, 12-1 All's Alibi, 16-1 others.

4.15 TARBOLTON HANDICAP CHASE
(£3,060: 2m 4f) (4)

1 /2-8 PINEMARTIN 14 (D,F,G) G Richards 10-11-10 N Leach (7)
2 F3/ DEEP DAWN 809 (S) M Hammond 10-11-5 C Grant
3 21-2 BOARDING SCHOOL 16 (C,D,F,G,S) C Parker 6-11-0 B Storey
4 U2-4 NIGHT GUEST 16 (D,F,G,S) P Monteith 11-10-13 A Dobbin (3)

6-4 Boarding School, 5-2 Pinemartin, 11-4 Night Guest, 4-1 Deep Dawn.

4.50 CROSSHILL HANDICAP HURDLE
(£2,253: 2m 6f) (6)

1 011- DEB'S BALL 12F (D,F,G,S) D Moffatt 7-12-5 D J Moffatt (3)
2 0-31 BAY TERN 13 (D,F,G,S) T Dyer 7-10-11 P Harley
3 14-3 DAWADAR 16 (F,G) J Goldie 5-10-5 F Perratt (7)
4 5P-0 ON THE HOOCH 7 (D,F,G,S) Mrs S Bradburne 8-10-1 P Williams (5)
5 6-01 CHIEF RAIDER 9 (G) J Wade 5-10-0 D Bentley (5)
6 104- LEADING PROSPECT 210 (G) Mrs J Goodfellow 6-10-0 B Storey

2-1 Dawadar, 7-2 Chief Raider, 9-2 Deb's Ball, Bay Tern, 6-1 On The Hooch, 10-1 Leading Prospect.

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S TWO MEETINGS

Market Rasen
Going: good

2.10 (2m 1f 110yd hdle) 1, Summer Flower (T Eley, 9-2); Private Handicapper's top rating); 2, Najeb (7-1); 3, Tinstone (8-1). Tom The Tank 7-2 fav. 15 ran. 6l, 2½l. A Forbes. Tote: £7.80; £2.50, £3.00, £1.70. DF: £26.80. CSF: £33.43.

2.45 (3m hdle) 1, Brownhall (Mr B Pollock, 7-1); 2, Squires Tale (3-1); 3, Farmer's Cross (15-8 fav). 8 ran. 6l, 3l. M Charles. Tote: £8.50; £2.00, £1.50, £1.40. DF: £19.20. CSF: £26.25.

3.15 (3m 1f ch) 1, Tompet (C Llewellyn, 5-1); 2, Lapiaffe (4-1 fav); 3, Smooth Escort (11-1). 10 ran. 2½l, 15l. N Twiston-Davies. Tote: £7.20; £2.50, £2.20, £4.30. DF: £18.90. Trio: £58.70. CSF: £23.37. Tricast: £189.09.

3.50 (3m 1f ch) 1, Great Mill (N Williamson, 1-2 fav); 2, Crown Eyeglass (20-1); 3, Whiskey Blues (33-1). 8 ran. 20l, dist. K Bailey. Tote: £1.40; £1.10, £2.60, £4.70. DF: £9.20. CSF: £10.64.

4.25 (2m 3f 110yd hdle) 1, Westholme (L Wyer, 10-11 fav); 2, Sarannpour (14-1); 3, Majority Major (33-1). 9 ran. 15l, hd. M H Easterby. Tote: £2.00; £1.20, £2.40, £7.30. DF: £12.70. CSF: £14.42. Majority Major finished second, but after a stewards' enquiry was placed third.

4.55 (2m 1f 110yd ch) 1, Deep Decision (K Johnson, 6-1); 2, Reve De Valse (10-1); 3, Space Captain (3-1). San Lorenzo 2-1 fav (f). 10 ran. NR: Playing Truant. 3l, 8l. P Cheesbrough. Tote: £6.30; £2.00, £3.10, £1.60. DF: £34.00. CSF: £60.26.

5.25 (2m 3f 110yd hdle) 1, Puritan (Mrs P Nash, 5-1); 2, Little Big (7-1); 3, Dennington (4-1). Balasi 7-2 fav. 11 ran. 4l, 1½l. N Tinkler. Tote: £5.30; £1.90, £2.90, £1.80. DF: £18.10. CSF: £38.84. Tricast: £143.33.

Placepot: £77.00.

Carlisle
Going: good

1.50 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Col Buckmore (N Doughty, 10-1); 2, Falcons Dawn (6-1); 3, Free Transfer (6-1). Lingate 9-4 fav. 15 ran. NR: Spanish Storm. ¾l, 3l. G Richards. Tote: £11.60; £2.40, £1.80, £2.30. DF: £23.80. CSF: £59.06.

2.25 (2m 4f 110yd ch) 1, Tartan Tradewinds (N Doughty, 11-10 fav); 2, Buckwheat Lad (11-1); 3, True Fair (9-1). 6 ran. 2½l, 3l. G Richards. Tote: £2.20; £1.10, £3.70. DF: £16.70. CSF: £11.51.

3.00 (2m 1f hdle) 1, All Welcome (P Niven, 9-4 fav); 2, Kinoko (9-2); 3, Regal Romper (7-1). 6 ran. NR: Only A Rose. Hd, 15l. Mrs M Reveley. Tote: £3.80; £1.30, £1.70. DF: £8.70. CSF: £10.54.

3.30 (3m ch) 1, Buddy Holly (J Osborne, 11-8 fav); 2, Kirsty's Boy (9-4); 3, On The Other Hand (11-4). 4 ran. 2½l, 15l. J Old. Tote: £2.00. DF: £3.30. CSF: £4.54.

4.05 (2m 4f 110yd hdle) 1, Royal Vacation (J Callaghan, 5-2); 2, Kenilworth Lad (5-6 fav); 3, My Turn Next (16-1). 10 ran. 1½l, 10l. G Moore. Tote: £3.10; £1.80, £1.10, £3.10. DF: £2.10. CSF: £4.52. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

4.40 (2m ch) 1, Absailor (P Williams, 7-2); 2, Dolikos (7-2); 3, Pims Gunner (8-1). Aigen 5-6 fav. 4 ran. 12l, 2½l. Mrs S Bradburne. Tote: £6.10. DF: £10.00. CSF: £13.36.

5.10 (2m 1f flat) 1, Jungle Rites (G Tormey, 100-30); 2, Rhossili Bay (11-10 fav); 3, Ord Gallery (10-1). 10 ran. 3½l, 8l. Jimmy Fitzgerald. Tote: £7.70; £1.40, £1.30, £2.70. DF: £6.20. CSF: £7.47. Placepot: £279.10.

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: NORDAN RAIDER
(3.15 York)
Next best: James The First
(3.25 Worcester)

☐ Derek Byrne was banned for three days (October 17-19) by Market Rasen stewards yesterday at an adjourned enquiry into his riding of Aviator's Dream on September 25.

Racing next week

MONDAY: *Leicester*, Carlisle, Fontwell Park.
TUESDAY: Chepstow, Leicester, Sedgefield.
WEDNESDAY: Exeter, Wetherby, Uttoxeter.
THURSDAY: Newmarket, Redcar, Hexham, Taunton.
FRIDAY: Newmarket, Catterick Bridge, Ludlow.
SATURDAY: *Newmarket*, Catterick Bridge, Kelso, Kempton Park, Southwell, Stratford.
(Flat meetings in bold)

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Saturday portrait: Chris Eubank, by Simon Barnes

Fighting words ring hollow from boxing's monocled mutineer

ILLUSTRATION BY STEVE MARTIN



Frank Bruno and Chris Eubank are a pair, really. Each has made his play for the respect of the great British public; it is hard to know which has blown it more comprehensively.

Dear Frank has mugged and clowned and played the lovable thickie and the pantomime eejit for so long that when he got into the ring last week, he actually surprised people with his tenacity and his bravery, his courage in a frightening and ultimately humiliating encounter.

Eubank, who fights to defend some other meaningless bauble of a world boxing championship title tonight, has shunned the idea of being a lovable thickie. He prefers to be a sinister genius, a man of mysterious silences and enigmatic statements.

"I would not do pantomime, or be ridiculed for money," he has said. Well, in that case I know something he doesn't. He has been roundly ridiculed for years: for his arrogance — though he can take that in his stride — for his half-baked, malapropism-sprinkled philosophical speeches and for his social pretensions.

He turned up at his press conference this week in boots and jodhpurs, and a monocle. A monocle! Muhammad Ali in a monocle would have been both a dig at the English and a self-mocking joke: a poke at the class-crazed citizenry of the 51st state and a deliberate mocking of his own prodigious self-esteem.

But Eubank in boots and jods and a monocle is pure panto. He is Terry-Thomas in black-face: "I refuse to see colour. I won't come down to that level. It's beneath me."

That monocle worried me. Obviously, it is the purest of pure kitsch. But did Eubank know that? The monocle should have been a joke against the white-dominated media and the white-dominated class structure. But I have the uneasy feeling that it was really a joke against Eubank, not self-mocking, but self-inflicted.

Eubank is an intelligent man, all right. The problem is that he thinks he is a genius. Somebody once described Phil Edmonds, the former England cricketer turned businessman, as "a senator who thinks he's an emperor". Eubank to a tee.

But I feel a little sorry for intelligent sports people, those who try to come to terms with a world less circumscribed than that of the maniac futilities of sport. Take poor old Boris Becker, for example, forever agonising about the state of the world.

Becker is an intelligent and a caring man, a deeply decent sort. But he gets mocked unmercifully for it. True, his philosophical asides tend to sound like lunch-break in the sixth-form common-room. But Becker never had a sixth-form common-room; he had a tennis court instead. Eubank has also tried to see life beyond the ostensible values of the boxing establishment. He has spoken about it often and the trouble is that people have listened to him. People write it down. It is a terrible thing to happen to anybody. Legions of Fleet Street Glendas have preened themselves on their ability to see through the aquarium glass of Eubank's pretensions. Or aspirations, to be fair.

> 'Any boxer who says he loves boxing is a liar or a fool. I'm not looking for glory or titles. I'm looking for money'

Much of Eubank's philosophical reputation rests on his professed hatred of boxing. The point here is that boxing is not a sport. It is, as I have said more than once, a public form of duelling. Every boxer, in every fight, must come to terms with the potential horror of receiving or inflicting permanent brain damage; that is what a knockout means.

Watching Eubank in combat with the country's boxing writers is a study in crossed-purposes. They, God give them wisdom, believe there is something noble about it all and they keep trying to talk to boxers about challenges and titles and championships. As if this were a sport like tennis or show jumping. Most boxers go along with this; not Eubank.

"Who are you going to take on next, Chris?" "Anyone I can beat ... Any boxer who says he loves boxing is either a liar or a fool. I'm not looking for glory. I'm not looking for titles. I'm not looking for the hall of fame. I'm looking for money. I'm looking for readies."

"What's your ultimate aim in boxing, Chris?" "To improve my standard of living. Challenge? The challenge is always finance."

The voice is phoney posh, a bit like Inspector Morse, or Nigel Short. There is a Mike Tyson lisp in there as well. Eubank is a man of few words who never stops talking: "I'm trying to get to Cambridge University to study psychology. I am naturally a master of psychology, but I would like to go into it thoroughly in a recognised way. It's a tall order, but I'm into tall orders."

The trouble with studying things is that it tends to involve listening as well as talking. Still, Eubank did say he was into tall orders.

But really, one must not despise a man for trying to step beyond the limitations of his life. The paradox of the boxer who despises boxing is a conundrum that should go beyond Eubank's self-applause. The notion of the boxer trying to exploit the ever-exploiting boxing establishment has something of Madonna about it.

Madonna is porn queen who claims to be exploiting the porn-masters: victim turned victrix. Eubank has made himself the Madonna of the boxing ring.

He is Madonna, but rather more given to posing. Madonna might have worn a monocle as a dirty joke, but not Eubank. His quiet pronouncements on the ugliness of boxing and his determination to exploit, rather than be exploited, demand respect.

But like Madonna, once he has taken his clothes off, his act is pure trash. Like the monocle, it would be funny if it was not meant seriously. Most boxers think the sound of a bell is a chance to regroup. For Eubank, it is a chance to inflate the chest, to allow those prefectly-cut body-builder's muscles to catch the lights. Then comes the ludicrous mincing walk back to the stool. This bit of Eubank is pure Mr Bean.

The boxing establishment tends to despise Eubank. He cannot be all bad, then. He has exploited boxing and the boxing writers. He has dragged them out again and again to watch him knock down the next victim for the next fat pay cheque. When they tell him his behaviour flies in the face of boxing ethics, he just laughs. Boxing ethics? An oxymoron if ever there was one.

Eubank has thrown all the taunts back by insisting that he would fight a corpse if he was paid enough money, a chilling remark when we remember that Michael Watson came close to death after a fight with Eubank.

But when there is enough money around, Eubank will exasperate the boxing establishment still further by showing an as-yet-unplumbed depth of skill and courage to meet an equal opponent. This was the case in his first, famously bloody encounter with Nigel Benn. The blood-hungry followers of boxing are hoping for the same savagery tonight.

Perhaps it needs the traditional taxi-driver quote to put things into perspective. "How can he not like it? He couldn't stay in the ring for half a minute if he didn't like fighting." This is true. Eubank must like it. But he does not have to like the fact that he likes it. Perhaps that, beneath the nonsense and the monocle, is the point of Chris Eubank.

Heriot's in position to overtake Melrose

By Alan Lorimer

PREDICTIONS that Melrose, the defending champions, would enjoy runaway success in the McEwan's National League this season, have not been fulfilled. Five clubs share the lead — a healthier situation for the competition — with Melrose leading on points difference.

Few would have expected Heriot's FP to be among the leading group, given their difficulties last season when, at an equivalent point, they were looking ripe for relegation. Heriot's might have been outright leaders but for a weak display against Kelso in the opening round of the championship, a performance which was to belie their subsequent form.

Today, Heriot's could move ahead of Melrose if they can run up a big score against West of Scotland at Goldenacre. West have lost to Boroughmuir and Stewart's-Melville FP, but drew with Hawick and had a 34-6 win over Kelso. The form of the Heriot's pack, however, is likely to frustrate attacking opportunities for the talented West backs, among whom Shane McIntosh will come under close scrutiny from the national selectors.

Gala and Edinburgh Academicals, two of the other leading sides, meet at Netherdale, where Gala will be without Gregor Townsend at stand-off half. Academicals are strengthened by the return from injury of Richard Porter, the Glasgow district wing.

At Mansfield Park, Melrose and Hawick renew Border rivalries, while at Bridgehaugh, Stirling County, the fifth member of the leading quintet, will be looking to consolidate their position by beating Watsonians, the only club without a league point. Watsonians, however, field Gavin Hastings for the first time this season.

☐ New Zealand have named Paul Henderson as replacement for Michael Jones, the flanker who was ruled out of this month's tour of England and Scotland by a broken jaw. Henderson, of Southland, has

Barnes and Andrew engage in fresh battle to familiar script



David Hands reviews part one of the championship campaign with Bath already calling the shots

CHAPTER one of this season's Courage Clubs Championship closes today with the reader in familiar territory with Bath in full cry and the rest of the pack struggling to stay with them — unless, of course, they trip up at Wasps this afternoon, where the mini-saga of two stand-off halves, Rob Andrew and Stuart Barnes, rolls timelessly on.

To describe the next month as a natural break would not quite be accurate. In the best-ordered of societies, the club scene would knit into the representative round without a seam showing, thence to international rugby. As it is, a month will pass before the first and second-division clubs play in the league again, leaving the arena to divisional rugby and tour matches.

Both Andrew and Barnes will be heavily involved there, too, as captains of, respectively, London and the South and South-West, but while Barnes returns to Bath ranks today after recovering from a knee injury, his colleague, Jeremy Guscott, has withdrawn with a recurrence of the groin strain that kept him out the first two league games.

"It's something a lot of footballers have." Guscott said yesterday, "but I have seen our consultant at Bath, had a scan and I'm told that no operation will be required and I should be fully fit in a fortnight."

Thus far, Guscott, 28, has been unable to train or play to his maximum, although his primary target for the season is still seven weeks off: England's international against New Zealand on November 27. The injury will keep him out of the first round of divisional matches, next Saturday, and he is resigned to the possibility of missing his division's game against the All Blacks at Redruth two weeks later.

Not that rest at this stage is a bad thing for one of England's leading players. Having summered with the British Isles in New Zealand, Guscott's vista stretches through to South Africa next summer and then the intensive preparation for the 1995 World Cup.

Wasps, who have won two of their six league games against Bath, have reacted to the swingeing defeat at Leicester last weekend by restoring Graham Childs to the centre and Mike White to the flank, at the expense of Fran Clough and Lawrence Dallaglio. They will welcome back at scrum half Steve Bates, whose experience was sorely missed against Leicester, while Dean Ryan, their captain, moves to lock with Chris Wilkins coming in at No 8.

Jamie Salmon, the Harlequins director of rugby, has restored Brian Moore to the front row for the meeting with Northampton after creating shock waves by dropping the England hooker last weekend for the match against Newcastle Gosforth. Salmon has no qualms about the action he took, though he does regret that Moore — to whom he has apologised personally — may have appeared the scapegoat for indifferent team performances.

"After our performance against Bristol, there were a number of people who should have been ejected from the team, but, for various reasons, mostly injuries, could not be," Salmon said.

Newcastle's reaction to their fourth game in the first division without a win has been dramatic. The five changes for the game today with Leicester include Neil Frankland, the captain and hooker, and David Johnson, the leading points-scorer. Andy Hetherington replaces Frankland in a front row with a combined weight of 53st and Tom Wilcox, son of the former England full back, John, comes in at stand-off half.

On the other side of the Pennines, Orrell play a Bristol side almost completely denuded of scrum halves. Kyran Bracken, the England A player, who had hoped his damaged knee would recover in time to play opposite Dewi Morris, remains on the sidelines and will, in consequence, almost certainly be passed over by the divisional selectors. Bracken's replacement, Rob Kitchin, damaged ligaments in training and Ben Harvey, the under-21 scrum half, has a broken ankle, which leaves Mark Newell, once of Loughborough University, to make his league debut.



Guscott: injury blow



Childs: returns at centre

Japan hope Williams proves fitness

THE proximity of Wales's first international of the season, against Japan next Saturday, reduces the first division of the Heineken League to one match today — that between Aberavon and Newbridge at the Talbot Athletic Ground (David Hands writes). Should Aberavon win, it would lift them to mid-table respectability.

Meanwhile, the Japanese must hope that Ian Williams, their Australian wing, is passed fit to play against West Wales at Narberth. Williams has not played since the opening tour game because of a knee injury, but he is named in a XV which also includes Hirofumi Ouchi, the No 8 sent off against Dunvant a week ago. He has now served his one-match suspension.

Ouchi, it appears, may have been himself against Adrian Varney, the Neath open-side flanker, whose form this season has impressed everyone save the national selectors. He appeared in neither of the national squads named this week.

The Japanese will also consider Eiji Kutsuke for the international next week. The centre did not play early in the tour because of injury and was then forced to return home for the funeral of his mother, but he rejoined the party yesterday.

One of the few leading Welsh players who will not appear against Japan — except in the event of injury — is Robert Jones, the Swansea scrum half capped 46 times by his country. His brother, Rhodri, plays for West Wales, but Jones is named only as a replacement for next Saturday.

Guildford profit from Byrd basket

By Nicholas Harling

THE basket Alton Byrd scored two seconds from time against Hapoel Galil Elyon in Israel yesterday did more than take the Guildford Kings into one of the final pools of eight in the European basketball championships.

Byrd's three-point play, which gave the Kings a 151-149 aggregate victory, guaranteed their future by securing a $300,000 (about £200,000) contract from Dorna (Marketing) UK Limited, who hold the television rights to the club's seven subsequent home games. Regular appearances on television should speed up their search for a sponsor and the players, who have received only expenses this season, can be paid.

"The money from Dorna means that we are in a better position to get a sponsor," Martin Clark, the Guildford joint-owner, said. "All this money will enable us to break even in Europe. What with the cost of hotels and everything else, each round costs about £12,000."

For a club which should not be in the competition, Guildford are not, nevertheless, faring too badly. Worthing, champions last season, decided that the financial risk of the competition was too great. Thames Valley Tigers, the runners-up, and London Towers, who were third, also declined invitations.

They seemed justified when Guildford had to go to Kiev for the first preliminary round, but having survived their trips to the Ukraine and to Israel, where the 71-65 loss was offset by an eight-point victory in the home leg, Guildford's gamble has paid off.

By the time they take to the Spectrum Arena for their Budweiser League game against Derby tonight, Guildford will know their opponents in Europe. The draw takes place this afternoon in Munich.

Wigan will offer stern challenge

By Christopher Irvine

THE *hors d'oeuvre* to the main course at Wembley next Saturday will be served at Wigan tomorrow when the touring New Zealand rugby league team confronts the English champions, who are likely to provide around half the Great Britain side to start the three-match international series.

Wigan have beaten New Zealand in their last two encounters at Central Park, but appetising as this unofficial fourth international is in its own right, the respective national team managements will be more concerned with looking for pointers for the bigger games to come.

The series might well hinge on the battle at scrum half and Shaun Edwards and Gary Freeman, the New Zealand captain, will be striving to establish an advantage before next week.

One duel to savour is that on the wing, where Jason Robinson, who, at the age of 19, could seal his first cap with a good performance, will be marking Sean Hoppe, an equally-exceptional talent, who ended his season at Canberra as the second top try-scorer in the Winfield Cup.

The Wigan centre, Dean Bell, will be able to remind New Zealand of what they will be missing, having rejected the overtures of Howie Tamati, the coach, to resume his international career after four years.

Up front, Martin Dermott and Duane Mann, the two hookers, will be trying to score points off each other, although the touring side appear to have the edge in having a more settled front row.

The commanding presence of Denis Betts and Phil Clarke in the Wigan back three could unsettle an inexperienced New Zealand trio, with only Steve Kearney expected to play at Wembley, where New Zealand will be able to play Quentin Pongia, restored after suspension, and Tawera Nikau, the Castleford loose forward. Yet Tamati's options regarding his English-based players were reduced yesterday by the withdrawal of Tea Ropati, the St Helens stand-off half, with an Achilles tendon

After the 17-10 defeat of their midweek side by Bradford Northern, the New Zealanders are paying Wigan every respect. With Pongia an enforced absentee for swinging a fist at Bradford, Robert Piva's inclusion in the second row is the only change to the side that overcame Wales last Sunday.

Bradford Northern, who lost their footing against Hull Kingston Rovers last week, will resume their lead in the Stones Bitter Championship should they maintain their unbeaten home run against fifth-placed Warrington.

No doubt greatly encouraged by their win over the touring side in the mud at Odsal, Bradford are also reinforced by the return of Newlove, the Great Britain centre, for a match against their toughest domestic opponents so far. Bradford have looked vulnerable several times before mounting late recoveries.

Jonathan Davies, nursing a slight hamstring strain, might be withdrawn as a precaution before the Wembley game and Iestyn Harris, 17, a sixth-former from Oldham, is on stand-by for his Warrington debut.

Confidence is slowly returning at Widnes, who travel to Hull. Bobby Goulding's injured knee has been repaired and John Devereux and Adrian Hadley, after duty for Wales, are restored to the back division alongside Darren Wright, now fully recovered from a hamstring injury.

St Helens have, at last, got their season into gear, and Wakefield Trinity should pose few problems. Leeds, by contrast, have hit trouble and must win at Oldham to maintain their status as championship contenders.

For deliberately elbowing an opponent in the head at Dewsbury, Dean Hall, the Bramley prop forward, has been banned for ten games by the disciplinary committee. Lee Jackson, of Sheffield Eagles, received a one-match suspension for punching.

NEW ZEALAND XIII: M Edwards (Balmain); D Halligan (North Sydney), I Ropati (Auckland), W Tawa (Canterbury), S Hoppe (Canberra), G Ngamu (Manly-Warringah), G Freeman (Penrith, captain); John Lomax (Canberra), D Mann (Auckland), B Stuart (Canterbury), S Kearney (Sydney Western Suburbs), P Piva (Wellington).

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Connolly quest hinges on Cross

BY STUART JONES, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

THE Maureen Connolly Trophy, the annual under-21 tennis tournament between Britain and the United States, almost invariably resides on the other side of the Atlantic. In 20 years, the exceptions have been 1975 at Torquay, 1987 at Queen's and 1988 at Midland, Texas.

To the meagre list of the dates and venues of British triumphs might yet be added 1993 and the University of Stirling. The destiny of the trophy promises to be decided this afternoon, when the last three of the 11 rubbers are to be completed. Much depends on Karen Cross.

She competes in the singles, as the second string, and in the concluding doubles, in the top pair with Julie Pullin. The 19-year-old left-hander, from Exeter, will be carrying an even heavier burden than she did yesterday when she attempted in vain to beat the leading American, Rachel Jensen.



Wainwright: leader

Shirli-Ann Siddall had already extended Britain's lead to 4-1 by winning the longest and most arduous match of the tournament. For almost two hours, she toiled against Lisa Pugliese, a student at the University of Florida, before claiming a victory that hinged on the fifth game of the final set.

Seven times Siddall earned a break point: seven times, she failed to take advantage. Nothing if not persistent, she tried again, succeeded and acknowledged later that it was the turning point.

"We were both so tired," she said, "that whoever won that game was sure to win the next."

There were no cheap points and some might have been more expensive. Pugliese had four opportunities to break through in the first set and, when she did so at the start of the second, she was assisted by a couple of double faults. Siddall, recovering from a depressing sequence of injuries, had been lifted by her partner the previous evening. With Amanda Wainwright, Britain's leading junior, her initial contribution to the team was virtually flawless. Together, they almost immediately entered a magical zone where they could do no wrong.

"I didn't realise until later *how well we'd played,*" she recalled. "Amanda is naturally so confident that it rubbed off on me." That victory, achieved in 48 minutes, had been swift and comprehensive.

Alone, occasionally chiding herself in a language she described as "backslang", the effort was appreciably greater. She had suffered from aching wrists earlier in the year and the injury was diagnosed as tendinitis. Three months later, after no significant reduction of the pain, she was advised that the source of the problem was in her neck. A quarter of the year had effectively been wasted.

Pugliese is uncommon among the American team. Shy and self-conscious, she smiled diffidently at her colleagues whenever they cheered a rasping drive. She struck winners not with joyful abandon but with a shrug of embarrassment.

Assessors of character and temperament would put Jensen at the other end of the *scale. The 20-year-old sister of* the reigning French doubles champions, she has not stopped chattering since she arrived belatedly on Wednesday as a substitute. Since she had nobody to talk to on court, she sporadically indulged in a running monologue during her 6-4, 7-6 victory over Cross.

Jensen cajoled herself, congratulated her opponent, questioned calls and instructed the ballgirls. Later, still eager for conversation, she revealed how, invited to interrupt her second day at Nick Bollettieri's training camp in Florida, she left the practice court and went to the airport without even taking a shower.

Among other idiosyncracies, she serves right-handed and plays left-handed. Luke, her brother and coach for the *last three months, has told her* not to be ambidextrous. So far, she has not changed. "I've always been a bit flakey," she said with a laugh.

RESULTS (GB names first): Singles: A Wainwright bt J Shiflet, 7-5, 6-3; S-A Siddall bt L Pugliese, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3; K Cross bt R Jensen, 8-4, 7-6. Doubles: Wainwright and Siddall bt Shiflet and N Hummel, 6-1, 6-0.

Bradley's win underlines her exciting potential

Jenny MacArthur sees leading women riders engage in a six-horse jump-off at Wembley



Pennie Cornish, riding Already, makes a stylish clearance in the British women's championship. Photograph: Julian Herbert

ALISON Bradley confirmed that her win in the Olympic Star Spotters competition the previous day was no fluke by *going on to capture the inaugural* British women's show jumping championship, on Endeavour, at the Horse of the Year Show yesterday.

Bradley, 23, one of the sport's most promising young riders, displayed her cool temperament and skill against the clock when relegating Marie Edgar, a former women's national champion, to second place, on Everest Winstar.

Six horses reached the jump-off in which Bradley, from Lakenheath in Suffolk, had the advantage of going *last. Julia Cleeland and Finance,* who were runners-up in the Grade A final earlier in the day, produced the first clear round in 32.40sec.

A much slower clear then came from Dupe Powell, whose father, Stanley, was joint-sponsor of the competition with Bill Brown.

Edgar, also 23, who is never one to settle for second place, produced a skilful round on the Countess of Inchcape's horse and a short-cut into the penultimate fence helped her home clear in the fast time of 30.92sec.

"When I saw Marie's time, I knew I had to go for it," Bradley said. Bolstered by advice from Mike Saywell, her former trainer, she produced a breathtaking round on the agile Dutch-bred stallion, finishing nearly two seconds inside Edgar's time to earn the prize of £2,000.

Despite the grand title of the class, Bradley does not become national women's champion. That accolade goes to the winner of the much older event held at Windsor, where the winner this year was Veronique Whitaker.

Tim Stockdale, who was seventh in the Leading Jumper competition on Thursday, was in buoyant mood yesterday after signing a three-year sponsorship contract, worth £100,000, with the outdoor clothing specialists, Toggi. The firm has also stepped in at the eleventh hour to sponsor the £20,000 grand prix tomorrow night.

Stockdale, who has a yard of nine horses at Chesham in Buckinghamshire, was on the point of pulling out of the sport after running out of money. He was given a reprieve when, in May last year, he won £13,000 with his top horse, Mighty McGuigan, at the Lisbon Show.

Stockdale, eighteenth in the national rankings, aims to build up a good enough string to "take on" John and Michael Whitaker. "When they start worrying because I'm coming after them in a jump-off, I'll know I've made it," he said.

The most entertaining spectacle yesterday was the *Daily Mail* Christy Beaufort Junior Jumper of the Year event, won by Lucy Henderson, 16, a triplet whose sisters are also competing at Wembley.

There is no holding back among the juniors and several ended up on the floor. The winner, who comes from Harold Wilson's old constituency of Huyton, gave a copybook display on her 14-year-old gelding, Ballymoss, to record the fastest clear round in the four-horse jump-off.

Merit takes advantage

BY BARRY PICKTHALL

TURNS of fortune in the doldrums yesterday sent Pierre Fehlmann's Swiss *maxi yacht, Merit Cup, into* the overall lead and Dennis Conner's American entry, Winston, to the fore of the 60ft class for the first time in the Whitbread Round the World Race.

Grant Dalton, whose maxi, New Zealand Endeavour, led for much of the 5,500-mile initial stage to Punta del Este, Uruguay, was frustrated when he ran out of wind for much of the day.

Hearing the unfamiliar sound of waves slapping against the hull, he told race officials: "That means we have stopped. For long periods, the speed has been reading zero. Our fastest speed in the last few hours has been 0.2knot. This is when our navigator, Mike Quilter, really earns his keep. We need to find the fastest way through."

Setting their light windseeker sail, his crew at least tracked down the source of a bad odour that had been bothering them. According to Dalton, a flying fish, one of many to have sprung aboard during the run through the trade-wind belt, had been rotting in the sail for a week.

Merit has also had problems in the heat. Oven-like temperatures below deck led to an electronics failure for several hours. One crewman who took a dip in the sea to cool off found a four-metre-long fishing net wrapped around the keel and it was only after removing it that the Swiss maxi took the lead.

The 60 class continues to be the most competitive with seven miles separating Winston, Tokio and Galicia 93. Ross Field, the Yamaha skipper, furthest east of the leaders, was unconcerned by his fifth place.

"Distance to Punta del Este is irrelevant right now," he said. "We are concentrating on making progress southwards. Everyone is attacking the doldrums and it is gains in latitude that matter."

LEADING POSITIONS (at 16:00 GMT yesterday with miles to Punta del Este, Uruguay): Maxi class: 1, Merit Cup (P Fehlmann, Switz), 3,014 miles; 2, NZ Endeavour (G Dalton, NZ), 3,016; 3, La Poste (D Malle, Fr), 3,048; 4, Uruguay Natural (G Vanzini, Uru), 3,228. Whitbread 60 class: 1, Winston (D Conner, US), 3,022; 2, Tokio (C Dickson, NZ), 3,027; 3, Galicia 93 Pescanova (J de la Gandara, Sp), 3,028; 4, Intrum Justitia (R Nilson, Eur), 3,040; 5, Yamaha (R Field, NZ), 3,059; 6, Dolphin & Youth Challenge (M Humphries, GB), 3,123; 7, Brookfield (G Maisto, It), 3,175 (estimate); 8, Heiman Sahlstachiny (E Pleton, Ukr), 3,195; 9, US Women's Challenge (N Frank, US), 3,226; 10, Odessa Moscow Times (A Verbo, Ukr), 5,120. *Positions issued by British Telecom.*

Hendry sets title record

FROM PHIL YATES IN DUBAI

STEPHEN Hendry, the world champion, won his third Dubai Duty Free Classic title at *the Al Nasr sports club last* night, defeating Steve Davis 9-3 in the final. Hendry, winner of the tournament in 1989 and 1990, became the first player to win the event three times.

Three years ago, Hendry beat Davis 9-1 in the final and, although the score was closer on this occasion, his performance was of an equally-high standard. In collecting the £40,000 first prize, the Scot, dropped only six frames in five matches.

"I'm pretty pleased with that. It has got to be regarded as a good start to the season," Hendry said. As always, he was a master of understatement, having completed his seventeenth consecutive match win in a world-ranking tournament. Hendry, 24, who also won the inaugural event in 1990, compiled a decisive 69 break in the opening frame and a 54 in the third extended his lead to 3-0.

Adopting a more positive approach, Davis responded with a 67 break in the next, but Hendry then built a 7-1 first-session advantage as Davis began to contribute to his own downfall. There was little Davis could do to prevent Hendry winning the fifth frame with 67 from a long red, but, from 0-58 in the sixth, he replied with 42, only to miss a straighforward brown when a clearance to black seemed assured. Not surprisingly, that error unsettled Davis. On 35 and in prime position again, he failed to pot a simple red to a middle pocket.

Hendry pounced to make it 6-1 with a 63 clearance to blue and, after Davis missed a red *while leading 46-0 in the* eighth frame, and later a blue, Hendry cleared to black with 32 to establish a virtually unassailable advantage.

Hendry opened the evening's play with a splendid 136 total clearance — which he later described as one of his best — and, while Davis managed to win the following two frames, he was merely delaying the inevitable.

"I contributed to the damage, but Stephen magnified all of my mistakes," Davis said. However, his consolation was a runners-up cheque for £22,500 and the knowledge that, by reaching the final, he had moved into second place on the provisional world ranking list.

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DEN BOSCH: Dutch Open championships: Men's singles: Second round: R Magnusson (Swe) bt P Knowles (Eng), 15-9, 18-15; D Hall (Eng) bt Yong Hock Kin (Malay), 15-5, 15-1. Women's singles: Second round: M Hoogland (Holl) bt A Gibson (Scot), 11-1, 11-3; C Martin (Den) bt J Muggeridge (Eng), 11-7, 11-1.

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Championship series: Philadelphia Phillies 3, Atlanta Braves 1 *(best-of-seven-game series level, 1-1).*

BASKETBALL

EUROPEAN CLUB CHAMPIONS' CUP: Second preliminary round, second leg: Hapoel Galil Elyon (Isr) 71, Guildford Kings 65 (agg: 149-151, Guildford qualify for semi-final series).

BOXING

YORK: Professional bill: Welterweight (6 rnds): Ron Hopley (Ripon) bt Warren Bowers (Grimsby), pts. Light-middle (8 rnds): David Larkin (Leeds) bt Les Crocker (Cardiff), rsc 5th rnd. Super-middle (10 rnds): Henry Wharton (York) bt Ron Amundsen (US), rsc 8th rnd. Light-heavy (8 rnds): Michael Gale (Leeds) bt John Kaghin (Cardiff), pts. Cruiser (8 rnds): Danzil Brown (Leeds) drew with Tony Booth (Sheffield).

CYCLING

TURIN: Tour of Piedmonte (123.3m): 1, B Zberg (Switz), 4hr 29min 20sec; 2, L Dulaux (Switz); 3, F Bontempi (It); 4, R Millar (GB); 5, D Konychev (Russ); 6, D Zhdanov (Russ); 7, G Ychev (Moldova); 8, G Tonerli (It), all same time.

EQUESTRIANISM

WEMBLEY: Horse of the Year Show: Paul Fabrications Foxhunter championship: 1, Fleurance (J Popely), 0 flts, 29.54sec; 2, Grenadier George (M Jones), 0, 30.19; 3, Energise (C Nicol), 0, 31.83. Woodhouse leading jumper of the year: 1, Everest Grannusch (J Whitaker), 0, 26.80; 2, Diamond Echange (J Chesney, Ire), 0, 33.03; 3, Everest My Measur (M Polwyer), 4, 25.07. A and N Plant Cob of the Year Heavyweight: Mrs H Griffiths' Super Ted. British women's show jumping championship: 1, Endeavour (A Bradley), 0 flts, 29.98sec; 2, Everest Winstar (M Edgar), 0, 30.92; 3, *Finance* (J Cleeland), 0, 32.40. National grade A championship: 1, Impressionist (D Ingle), 0, 41.26; 2, Finance (J Cleeland), 0, 44.79; 3, Goldpfell (A Bradley), 3, 47.51. Daily Mail/Chrissy Beaufort championship for leading junior jumper: 1, Ballymoss (L Henderson), 0, 37.13; 2, Mallstreet Mystic (P Barker), 0, 39.93; 3, Ryan's Touch (C Peake), 4, 35.65. Hunters: Heavyweight: J Thornton's Oranmore (D Tatlow). Middleweight: R Creber's King's Warrior (R Oliver). Lightweight: R Creber's College Jester (M Hennessy).

FOOTBALL

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Bolton 2, Wolverhampton 2; Liverpool 3, Notts County 0; Newcastle 0, Aston Villa 1; Nottingham Forest 0, Derby County 1; Sheffield Wednesday 3, Leicester 1, Sunderland 0, Leeds 1. Second division: Blackpool 2, Burnley 1; Bradford 1, Mansfield 2; Rotherham 2, Oldham Athletic 0; Stoke 1, Tranmere Rovers 0.
NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Arsenal 1, Queens Park Rangers 2; Swindon 1, Wimbledon 1
ITALIAN CUP: Second round, first leg: Padua 1, AS Roma 1
SPANISH LEAGUE: Logroniés 4, Athletic Bilbao 2.

ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE: Boston 3, Buffalo 5; New York Rangers 5, Tampa Bay 4; Pittsburgh 2, Montreal 1; Toronto 6, Dallas 3; St Louis 5, Florida 3; Calgary 6, San Jose 2.

SNOOKER

DUBAI: Dubai Classic: Semi-final: S Hendry (Scot) bt R O'Sullivan (Eng), 6-2. Final: Hendry bt S Davis (Eng), 9-3.

GOLF

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Florida: Walt Disney World Classic: First round (US unless stated): 64: E Tryba, K Clearwater, T Purtzer. 65: J Haas, J Anderson, L Janzen, C Strange, P Blackmar, M McCumber, S Kendall. 66: M Wiebe, P Goydos, D Trader, L Roberts, H Green, S Hoch, L Mize, F Funk, J Maggert. 67: M Hulbert, R Allen (SA), W Glasson, D Forsman, T Lehman, B Cisar, M Sullivan, B Bryant.
FITTO: Japan Open: Leaders after two rounds (Japan unless stated): 141: M Ozaki, 69, 72. S Okuda, 69, 72. 142: T Maruyama, 69, 73. 143: R Kawagishi, 73, 70; K Takahashi, 72, 71; H Yasuda, 66, 77. British score: 152: P Hoad, 75, 77.
ZURICH: Lexus Trophy: Leaders after two rounds (GB and Ireland unless stated): 141: T Horton, 74, 67. 143: J Fourie (SA), 73, 70. 145: B Hunt, 74, 71; R Verwey (SA), 75, 69. 146: D Jimenez (US), 73, 73; R Fidler, 74, 72; P Butler, 73, 73. 147: J Hamilton, 73, 74; J-M Rocs (Sp), 75, 72; D Snell, 73, 74.

RUGBY LEAGUE

TOUR MATCH: Yorkshire Academies 16, New Zealand Junior Kiwis 32.

RUGBY UNION

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Daily Mail Cup: First round: RGS, High Wycombe 24, Reading 3. Other match: The Leys 27, Perse 3.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Ipswich 61, Arena Essex 47.

TENNIS

SYDNEY: Australian men's Indoor championship: Quarter-finals: P Korda (Cz Rep) bt M Woodforde (Aus), 6-4, 6-1; W Ferreira (SA) bt J Carter (US), 5-7, 6-4, 6-2; G Ivanisevic (Cro) bt M Pernfors (Swe), 6-3, 6-2; J Yzaga (Peru) bt J Courier (US), 6-4, 2-6, 6-4.
TOULOUSE: Men's tournament: Second round: M Rosset (Switz) bt S Simian (Fr), 6-4, 6-4; C Bergström (Swe) bt L Paes (India), 1-6, 7-6, 6-4; A Boetsch (Fr) bt J Stark (US), 3-6, 6-3, 6-0; Y El Aynaoui (Mor) bt S Bruguera (Sp), 6-4, 3-6, 7-6. Quarter-finals: A Chesnokov (Russ) bt Rosset, 6-4, 7-6, Boetsch bt M Gustafsson (Swe), 6-2, 6-3.
ATHENS: Men's tournament: Third round: J Sánchez (Sp) bt A Gaudenzi (It), 6-4, ret; J Arrese (Sp) bt R Furlan (It), 6-4, 7-5; A Berasategui (Sp) bt S Pescosolido (It), 6-2, 6-2; H de la Peña (Arg) bt G Schaller (Austria), 7-6, 6-2.
DUBLIN: Irish Open men's championship: Quarter-finals: D Dier (Ger) bt T Gollwitzer (Ger), 6-4, 6-2; P Cane (It) bt M Damm (Cz Rep), 3-6, 6-4, 7-6.
BASINGSTOKE: LTA satellite tournament: Men: Final: B Gyetko (Can) bt P Langvardt (Den), 6-2, 0-6, 6-4. Women: Final: S Parkhomenko (Russ) bt E Bond (GB), 2-6, 6-3, 6-0.
ZURICH: Woman's tournament: First round: Second round: M Navratilova (US) bt E Makarova (Russ), 6-0, 6-4; N Tauziat (Fr) bt I Majoli (Cro), 6-3, 6-4; N Zvereva (Belorus) bt G Fernandez (US), 6-1, 6-4; S Cacic (US) bt L Neiland-Savchenko (Lat), 6-3, 1-6, 6-3. Quarter-finals: S Rottier (Holl) bt S Cacic (US), 6-3, 6-4; M Maleeva (Bul) bt Tauziat, 6-4, 6-1.

Maddux reins in Phillies' hitters

GREG Maddux yielded only five hits over seven innings and his Atlanta Braves colleagues hit four home runs in a 14-3 away win against the Philadelphia Phillies on Thursday, levelling the best-of-seven *National League championship* series at one game apiece.

Fred McGriff, Terry Pendleton, Jeff Blauser and Damon Berryhill hit home runs for Atlanta, who set a record for runs in a play-off game. The Braves, league winners for the past two years, knocked out the Philadelphia starting pitcher, Tommy Greene, in the third inning as he suffered his first home loss after ten victories.

Maddux, a 20-game winner who led the major leagues in earned-run average (2.36) during the season, walked two batters and struck out eight. He allowed just two balls out of the infield in his last four innings.

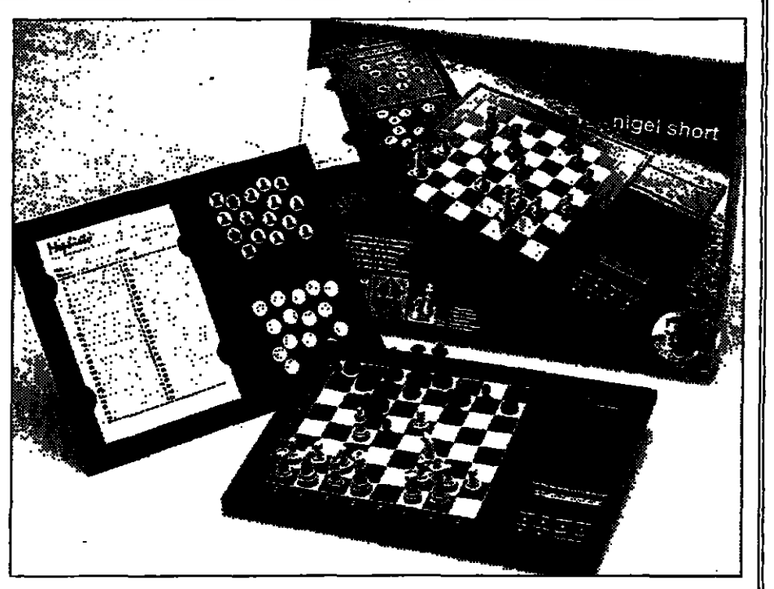
The series shifts to Atlanta for three games, starting today. The winners will advance to the World Series against the American League champions.

The Toronto Blue Jays resumed their play-off with the Chicago White Sox last night in Toronto. The Jays won the first two games, in Chicago, 7-3 and 3-1. No team has rallied to win a league championship series after losing the first two games at home.

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Mutual hatred fuels rematch

Benn aiming to make light of weighty issue

BY SRIKUMAR SEN; BOXING CORRESPONDENT

UNLESS one of them gets lucky and produces a knock-out punch early, Nigel Benn, the World Boxing Council super-middleweight champion, and Chris Eubank, who holds the World Boxing Organisation title, could be involved in one of the most brutal matches seen in a British ring when they meet tonight at Old Trafford, home of Manchester United.

Even though British boxing enthusiasts showed in a recent poll that they consider neither man to be a true world champion, both being past their best, such is the hatred between the two boxers that the bout could turn out to be even more savage than their last meeting three years ago in Birmingham.

Then Eubank won in the ninth round with the referee stepping in, but he suffered severe facial injuries, including a split tongue. Benn-Eubank II could be even more intense than Eubank's bout with Michael Watson, which left Watson in a coma.

Eubank, 28, has warned that Benn, who is 30, might get seriously hurt. "If Nigel comes in 100 per cent fit, he's going to get beat," Eubank said. "If he comes in 99 per cent fit, he will get hurt, probably badly."

If Benn somehow stays in there and slogs it out for 12 rounds, one or both of them could be paying a visit to the hospital.

Even though Benn is receiving £1 million and Eubank £800,000, more than they have previously received, and enough to make lesser men take the money and bow out at a suitable moment in the contest, these two will not be satisfied until they have given each other a pasting. Benn has always said he likes nothing better than "a right old tear-up".

Unluckily for Benn, however, his chin is unlikely to stand up to many of the kind of blows that put Watson in hospital. Eubank, on the other hand, has a good chin. That is why, even though he is receiving the smaller purse, he is the odds-on favourite.

Eubank has promised to dispose of Benn even more quickly this time. He could do it as he is the bigger man, being a heavy super-middleweight — he might even be a natural light-heavyweight. Since the weigh-in yesterday, when Eubank was right on the 12st limit, he could have had several big meals and by this evening he could be as much as 8lb heavier.

> 'Eubank is Madonna, but rather more given to posing . . . like Madonna, once he has taken his clothes off, his act is pure trash'
> — *Simon Barnes, page 34*

Benn, who was 1lb lighter at the weigh-in, is no more than a middleweight and has found his punches are not powerful enough to deter super-middleweights. He had to go the distance with Lenzie Morgan, Thulane Malinga, Mauro Galvano and 11 rounds with Nicky Piper.

Almost in every contest since Anthony Logan exposed his chin in 1988, Benn has been in trouble at some time. Particularly alarming was his near collapse in the last ten seconds of his bout with Galvano in March.

Benn was comfortably in front against a non-puncher when, in the twelfth round, he was caught by a little jab, no more than a tap. Suddenly Glasgow was going round and round for Benn. He was saved by the bell.

If Benn has looked vulnerable in most of his bouts after Logan, Eubank has looked like a novice in six of his last seven. He worked for barely a minute of each round in most of them and once even resorted to turning his back on his opponent, Tony Thornton, and running round the ring to finish in front.

Eubank posed and prodded through his next bout against a Paraguayan journeyman, Juan Carlos Gimenez, and declared his aim was to go on making money from easy fights. Nothing could have been easier than Ray Close. The Irishman was an inexperienced and untested substitute. It turned out to be Eubank's closest bout. Had he not knocked the Irishman down late in the bout and picked up an extra point he would have lost his title.

In spite of Eubank's physical advantage and heavier punch, Benn's chances should not be ruled out. He is a far better boxer all round than Eubank. Whereas Eubank tends to take rests, Benn is busy for every second of every round. If Benn is on his feet at the end of 12 rounds it would not surprise me if he got the verdict.

Benn has two tactical options: to pressure Eubank, rather as Frank Bruno did Lennox Lewis, to prevent Eubank from finding his range; or to box from a distance until the later rounds when Eubank begins to tire and then launch one of those Benn assaults.

Knowing Benn's temperament, he is unlikely to be careful at this stage of his career. He will probably be his usual aggressive self for the first round, especially if he finds rumours that Eubank is planning to make an early night of it are true.

If, in his rush to attack, Benn does not get caught with the Brighton Special, he should either stop Eubank in the later rounds or outpoint him.

"I respect Eubank as a world champion but that respect will go out of the window on the night," Benn said. "I will put the record straight. I made some mistakes last time. He did his homework and prepared for me. I didn't prepare for him. I had to get 6lb off on the morning of the fight. I've got some tricks up my sleeve. It could be another classic but it'll be a different result."

Benn, who has been training at altitude in Tenerife, is prepared for a long night. "I've wanted this fight for three years. Nobody has ever beaten me twice and I won't allow it."

TELEVISION COVERAGE: ITV (all regions), 10.15: Live coverage (bout scheduled to start at 10.20).





Seles hits a forehand during practice with her father in Florida this week

Seles plans December return

MONICA Seles, out of action since being stabbed by a spectator during a tournament in Germany almost six months ago, is to return to competitive tennis in Dublin in December.

"Her agents have confirmed that she will be there," a spokeswoman for the Dublin event said yesterday. "As far as we're concerned, she'll be coming."

Seles, 19, has not played on the circuit since a man stuck a meat-trimming knife into her back during a break between games at the Hamburg open on April 30.

The former world No 1, who has slipped to fourth in her enforced absence, has a bye to the semi-finals of the Dublin tournament, which begins on December 4. Her projected opponent in the last four is Martina Navratilova.

Seles has just returned to the practice court and has been invited to play at a Chris Evert celebrity event in Boca Raton at the end of this month. "We've talked to Monica," Evert said. "She is just now starting to hit some balls." Evert added that pride might keep Seles away. "She would want to be 100 per cent," Evert said. "I'm not sure she's in 100 per cent shape yet."

The man accused of stabbing Seles goes on trial on a charge of causing grievous bodily harm on Tuesday.

Steffi Graf, who has risen to world No 1 in Seles's absence, left hospital yesterday following foot surgery, but still hopes to defend her title at the Autoglass Classic, which begins in Brighton on Tuesday week. Graf, who has had surgery on a bone splinter, has her right foot in plaster and doctors in Essen, Germany, have advised her not to consider playing in Brighton.

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Celtic rocked by second resignation

BY RODDY FORSYTH

THE image of Celtic as a once-great club reduced to internal turmoil and public confusion intensified yesterday when Joe Jordan, having been unable to contact the Celtic chairman, Kevin Kelly, to tell him of his decision, announced at a press conference that he was resigning as interim manager and would not take charge of the team for the meeting with Dundee at Parkhead today.

Jordan's departure follows that of Liam Brady, who resigned as manager on Wednesday night after Celtic's 2-1 defeat by St Johnstone in the premier division fixture at Perth.

Jordan's announcement was made after it had been revealed that Celtic had approached Stoke City to ask permission to speak to Lou Macari, the Stoke manager and formerly a favourite at Parkhead when he was a Celtic player. However, Jordan denied that his decision was connected with Celtic's interest in Macari.

"If they had offered me the manager's job this morning, I would still have resigned," Jordan said. "That decision was made months ago when I first came here to be assistant to Liam Brady. After I lost the manager's job at Hearts, there is no other club at which I would have agreed to be assistant, but everyone knows my feeling for Celtic, the club I supported as a boy. However, I said to Liam that my position would be precarious should he ever resign and he said to me that it was not a situation which would ever arise.

"In football, though, things can change rapidly and now the hypothetical has become the actual. Therefore, I am resigning now."

Asked why he had not quit at the same time as Brady, he replied: "There were things to be done here yesterday and I attended to them and spoke to nobody in order to let the dust settle a bit, but, in fact, as I have said, the decision was really made when I first came here during the summer.

"There was a danger that if I did accept the manager's job, people would suggest that maybe I hadn't been working with Liam so much as against him and I think that would have been an unacceptable way to start. I want to stay in football, but as you can imagine, I have no plans or any real idea of where I might go or how long it might take to get back into the game."

In the aftermath of Jordan's announcement, nobody knew who would be in charge of the team for this afternoon's match against Dundee. Neither Frank Connor, who had been No 3 at Celtic, or Tommy Craig, the former assistant manager now in charge of youth coaching, had been told how their situation might be affected by the latest development.

Ninety minutes later, the club issued a statement which said that Connor would be given temporary responsibility for team selection. Simultaneously, at a hastily-convened press conference in Dublin, Brady said that he had left Celtic with no financial settlement and no bitterness.



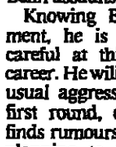
Jordan: departing

"There was an atmosphere surrounding the club and I felt that that mustn't get through to the players. It was certainly affecting the way they were performing."

"Glasgow is a unique city and there is an exaggerated expectation around Celtic and Rangers, but I had the opportunity to do the job and I obviously did not do it well enough. It is a blow to my confidence."

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Camouflage will afford Eubank no hiding place



David Miller looks at the boxing rivals who fought one of the most inspiring recent British bouts

In almost every way, the Eubank v Benn super-middleweight championship bout at Old Trafford tonight is a more significant encounter than that last weekend at Cardiff Arms Park. This is so much more about genuine boxing than about personalities, though the eccentricities of Chris Eubank, many of them contrived, give an intriguing uncertainty to the occasion.

Some might say Lewis against Bruno mattered more because they are heavyweights, the supposed elite division, and because Bruno is a sort of Bruce Forsyth of the ring, transcending sport. Eubank against Benn matters because their previous encounter in 1990, at middleweight, was one of the most inspiring British bouts of recent years. Each contributes to Britain's distinguished history at the middleweight level.

So many imponderables now surround Eubank, who camouflages himself, his life and his family with such bizarre behaviour that the real man has become almost invisible. Purposely so, you suspect. Suddenly tonight, however, Eubank, that contradiction of a destructive yet seemingly-vulnerable fighter, will be back in the real world in which pretence affords no relief. Only courage and will and ability.

We await to discover — and so, maybe, does Eubank — how much the inner psychological strength he exercised against Benn in their battle at Birmingham in 1990 has been eroded by the experience against Michael Watson. Having unintentionally once left a rival so close to death, can a fighter ever deliver again that raw, unrestrained, almost animal aggression, summoned from the brink of defeat, that has no boundaries of caution?

Benn, whom Eubank describes as the hardest puncher pound-for-pound in Britain, is undefeated in eight bouts since moving up to the super-middleweight division. The evidence on Eubank's side since the Watson trauma — six bouts against inferior opponents going the full distance, and two of them only luckily survived — suggest that Eubank's World Boxing Organisation status cannot be equated with Benn's World Boxing Council title.

Eubank's existentialist platform, a man wholly determining his future, his image, his achievements, his *meaning*, is too flawed. Amid all the propaganda, the literary pretence, the often-tortured vocabulary, the monocle, the wilful unpopularity, there surely lies someone with deep-seated worries and insecurity.

Of course, insecurity is often a fighter's source of motivation. Eubank has spent most of his 27 years, through a childhood in south London, then his emergence into refined boxing status in America and now his strange divided double-residence for boxing and family in Hove, building a shield more complex than by the mere use of his fists. Yet those fists, critically, remain the last resource against Benn.

The elaboration of his private/public existence with the employment of a young, relatively untrained woman student from Hertfordshire as public relations adviser, has added further to Eubank's inscrutability, to the difficulty of reading the man's mind. Can he, I wonder, read his own?

This week, he has been busy, out of earshot of the sinister Don King — joint-promoter with Barry Hearn — debating with Michael Nunn, the World Boxing Association's version of champion, the size of reward that can be shared between them after Eubank's victory tonight. There are those who question his invincibility on the recent evidence, never mind a preparation including hundreds of sparring rounds.

Benn, 29, is your more recognisable middleweight, in the straightforward fashion of Minter or Turpin, surrounded by conventional associates with characteristics like tattoos on their knuckles. King may refer to Eubank as the Marvin Hagler of Britain, but Benn has risen from the 1989 defeat by Watson to be unintimidated by his opponent's flamboyance before the re-match. The suspicion must be that Eubank will have to win early on if he is to fulfil the text of his private imagination and his public promises.



Eubank after victory over Benn in 1990

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Who's taken for a ride at the book fair?

Giles Gordon in Frankfurt explains how our reading matter is chosen for the coming year



NICK MALAND

Imagine a series — the number seems infinite — of aircraft hangar-like pavilions thrust into the centre of a purring if ugly and soulless continental city in Europe, and you have some idea of the Frankfurt International Book Fair. Not aircraft, but millions of books and representatives from more than 8,000 publishing houses in 95 countries are exhibiting, presenting their new and forthcoming titles.

The pavilions in the Frankfurt merry-go-round are occupied by publishers from different countries; the UK and USA are in the same building, but on different floors. Each hangar or pavilion seems increasingly far from the next as the days stretch out. Thus if you have an appointment with, say, a German publisher, you walk endlessly through humid, airless corridors, then back again half an hour later for your next meeting.

The 45th book fair opened on Wednesday and runs until Monday, although most British publishers will return to London this weekend. Their foreign rights colleagues — Frankfurt is ostensibly about the disposal of translation rights — will continue to hold meetings at half-hourly intervals each day, from breakfast until the small hours, with colleagues and competitors from all over the planet.

Frankfurt is about publishers, thousands of them, massaging their own and each other's egos, and attending up to 25 meetings a day with other publishers. The 30-minute meeting is sacrosanct, as so many appointments have to be fitted in. Indeed, the number of meetings notched up seems more important than their quality.

In addition there are power breakfasts, lunch meetings, drinks in the early evening, dinners, after-dinner conferences in the hustle and bustle of the city's overpriced and humourless hotels, and drinks again at big hotel bars well into the next morning. The grandees eat proper meals in the evening, but the world of Frankfurt essentially lives on German sausages, great thick swirling flagons of sticky, heavy beer, sauerkraut, and sweet wine in weighty goblets. I offered a publisher a sausage at one of the fair's meal stands. "I hate Frankfurters," he said with disdain. If you are invited to dinner at the mock-Gothic Schloss Hotel at Kronberg, outside Frankfurt, you accept, as that is the ultimate status symbol.

Publishers of all sizes, sexes and colours are constantly ascending and descending escalators in the exhibition halls with diaries, manuscripts, samples of artwork, proof copies and even, occasionally, finished books under their arms. Everyone is searching for tomorrow's best-sellers or masterpieces, and ideally both. It is all hype and, it is said, a bit of hump for the few who make it to their beds in the overpriced hotels.

There is little to be done to display books beyond slapping them on shelves, face out, and hoping someone will be sufficiently attracted to pick the objects up and look at them. Thus the stands have a relentless sameness about them, however much ingenuity is brought to bear by accompanying posters, photographs and streamers.

The fair is also about booksellers and remainder merchants, those increasingly necessary parasites of the trade, who have their own hall, where the thrilling conceptions of yesteryear are shamelessly sold off for a song and an act of faith.

Frankfurt is most emphatically not about authors, the flesh and blood who devise the pages and order the words into sentences. If an author has any doubts about what he or she is doing, exposure to Frankfurt and its regiments of book booths and plodding publishers is almost bound to persuade him or her to adopt a less hazardous occupation. Frankfurt is hype, not conviction or integrity. Authors at the fair, unless they are international celebrities such as Muhammad Ali or Terry Waite, are an embarrassment, an encumbrance to business.

Baroness Thatcher is not attending Frankfurt. She hardly needs to, HarperCollins having sold in advance of publication 230,000 copies of *The Downing Street Years*. The translation rights are going quickly, having been sold to, among others, Korea and, for a mammoth advance, Saudi Arabia.

Unless you have witnessed Frankfurt, it is hard to envisage so many publishers, so many books. Unlike, say, planes or cars, books are relatively inexpensive to manufacture. Thus publishers big and small converge on Frankfurt to hawk their wares and if one book doesn't take, maybe the next will. Apart from the German contingent, most publishers (although the public is admitted at certain hours, Frankfurt is essentially a trade fair) are eager to inspect forthcoming titles from the UK and USA, English being the lingua franca. Conversely, this means that it is increasingly difficult to sell translation rights to The Netherlands and certain Scandinavian countries, where serious readers devour noteworthy books in their original English.

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Some years back, literary agents were not permitted to have stands at Frankfurtto advertise their product. This year theirs are among the busiest. On Tuesday, while stands were being constructed, literary agent Deborah Owen could be observed fixing to the top of hers lettering which modestly announced: "Winner of the 1992 German Book Trade's Peace Prize" — not, it transpired, for her husband, Lord Owen, but for Israeli novelist and client Amos Oz.

Moscow's Raduga Publishers describes itself as "offering international co-operation with publishers, booksellers and literary agents interested in the production and distribution of translated Russian literature in European and world markets and end of foreign literature in Russia". No doubt this agenda keeps Raduga's mind off events back home.

Russia's publishers are anxious to discover books to translate, although one said to me without irony that the postal services in Moscow were a bit disrupted at present, so he'd better take any books back with him.

This year there is a greater interest in non-fiction than fiction. Harold Evans, sometime editor of this newspaper and now editor-in-chief at New York's Random House, insists that his latest author, General Colin Powell, will be the next president of the United States. Powell's autobiography, bought for $6 million, is still to be written, but one British publisher will emerge by the end of the fair as proprietor of the UK rights.

More copyright lawyers and accountants from London are prowling the fair than in previous years, although not, of course, touting for business. Their presence hints that the Frankfurt carousel may be creaking to a halt. The seedy, tiring and absurdly expensive *Buchmesse* is utterly unnecessary in the age of the fax machine and instant world communication.

● *Giles Gordon is a literary agent whose clients include Vikram Seth and Sue Townsend.*

Parents crushed under the jackbootee

WEEKEND VOICE: Mary Killen

Halfway through the morning I found my husband sawing off a corner of the dining-room table. "Stop it!" I screamed.

"It's the only thing for it. Hadrian has walked into the table corner three times this morning, and he'll have to go to casualty if his forehead swells up any further." There is an age when a child *only* bumps into things or falls off them, cries, is comforted and then repeats the cycle. As the day goes on it becomes punch-drunk from the injuries and so sustains more in a vicious circle. This particular corner of the table had become an accident black spot.

Hadrian, aged two, and Ophelia, six, were staying for the weekend. Their parents had gone to France after delivering them to our cottage with a two-page list of instructions and a bootload of paraphernalia, including a goose light.

"Hadrian usually wakes at around 5am. For morning peace, leave a preferably non-spill beaker of diluted juice next to his bed with a pile of books and quiet toys. An apple peeled and chopped helps to settle him down at night. Leave the *Meg & Mog* tape on continuous play in the corner of his room (very low just to soothe, not wake him). Leave the goose light on — he can't sleep without it.

"Ophelia will eat anything, as long as it is carrots, apples, fish fingers, chicken nuggets, oven chips or Marmite on white toast."

"Ah! Such damn nonsense!" I could almost hear my mother's voice ringing in my ears. "When you two were put to bed, you were put to bed, and that was that until the morning. You both slept like logs. And if you didn't eat what was put in front of you, you went without."

My generation was brought up by a no-nonsense brigade of parents. Now lots of nonsense seems to be the keynote of our own parental philosophy. As a result of not wishing to be cruel, we have produced a generation of mini-despots, whose role models are Violet Elizabeth Bott and Little Lord Fauntleroy.

Hadrian and Ophelia's demands are mild by comparison with those of another tiny tyrant of four whom we will codename Sarah.



Sarah's parents lent their London flat to some friends for the weekend. The friends arrived to find a giant notice on the kitchen table. "Hello! Make yourselves at home and help yourselves to anything but PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE do not take the bacon off the edge of the bath but leave it exactly where it is."

Puzzled, they went through to the bathroom to find not just toy bacon but real raw bacon draped in disgusting ranks along the edge of the bath. Another notice adjacent implored: "Please do not move bacon as Sarah is in the middle of a game."

In south London, a clutch of private prep schools has recently mushroomed, with twee and encouraging names such as "Little Hobbits". How long before we hear of "Miss Cackle's Academy for Young Witches" (after the school in *The Worst Witch*), as spoilt brats refuse to go to school unless they approve of the name.

One little girl we know very well is openly called "the Beauty" by her parents. Were she to attend Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches (a boarding school), the instructions which would accompany her would be likely to read: "The Beauty needs to be coaxed gently out of the Land of Nod as she will cry if woken suddenly. Plump up cushions and pillows around her and blow on her eyelids until they open.

"Give her breakfast in bed. She prefers Coco-Pops from a variety-pack packet. You can con her by decanting from a family pack into this each morning."

Even in normal schools, this autumn most children are being coaxed into learning by doing treat projects on dinosaurs, going on outings to museums, etc. Meanwhile, their toy-cupboards bulge with educational games and tapes. No question of just learning how to tell the time any more: you need a musical *aide memoire* such as *The Tick-Tock Tape*.

And it is symptomatic that very few children's parties are organised by the parents themselves these days. Perhaps they have lost the authority necessary to discipline and corral a group of 20 children. In any case entertainers, clowns and puppeteers come to do the job instead, leaving the parents to prepare *Wizard of Oz* style birthday teas and party bags full of wildly expensive toys.

OK, so grown-ups were too frightening and cruel in David Copperfield's day. Now the roles are reversed to such an extent that parents find themselves being kind to be cruel.

No wonder the television programme and book, *Nanny Knows Best*, are keeping our guilty generation agog at the moment as the toddler tyrants rage about us, kicking over their drinks and crying. What a relief to find an authority figure other than our own toddlers telling us what to do.

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A dome from home in the woods

A curmudgeonly John Young takes family and friends to Center Parcs in Suffolk, and finds something for all tastes

A former colleague has in latish middle life taken to going on an annual cruise. Reputedly, he spends the first 24 hours trying every bar on the ship in turn and, having made his choice, ensconces himself in a comfortable corner, where he remains for the rest of the voyage. Anyone rash enough to suggest an excursion to the swimming-pool or a bracing game of deck quoits could expect an unprintable reply.

On the face of it a cruise liner and a Center Parcs holiday village do not have much in common, the one being compact, intimate and seagoing, the other large, diffuse and firmly landlocked. But there is a sort of resemblance, in that the customer has the choice of being a terrifically good sport and joining in every activity on offer, or of keeping a discreet distance from the crowd and communing with nature or a good book.

The party that arrived at Elveden Forest Holiday Village, in Brandon, Suffolk, on a Friday afternoon was fairly representative of all views: son, daughter and friend — all in their late teens or early twenties — who could scarcely wait to try out the swimming-pool and indoor tennis courts: two wives who fancied a spot of rejuvenating aromatherapy and reflexology; and two curmudgeonly husbands who had concluded that a forest in an underpopulated part of East Anglia was probably as good a place as any to avoid people.

On the whole we each found what we wanted. The women went off for their various treatments and returned with glowing reports. The young people found plenty to occupy their energies and spoke highly of the disco. Son, brother-in-law and I were driven off on the Saturday afternoon for a spot of clay-pigeon shooting, at which we failed to distinguish ourselves. Otherwise I was content to nurse my incipient flu with a bottle of whisky and the weekend newspapers in a peaceful and extremely comfortable villa, surrounded by trees and overlooking a lake.

Elveden is the second of two British ventures by Center Parcs, originally a Dutch company but now owned by Scottish & Newcastle Breweries. A third, in the grounds of Longleat in Wiltshire, received planning consent last year. Both Elveden and its counterpart, in Sherwood Forest, Nottinghamshire, have been widely misrepresented as glorified theme parks, fun palaces enclosed in giant plastic domes, artificial all-weather cities isolated from the natural environment.

Nothing could be further from the truth. There is a dome of sorts enclosing the central building, which houses a giant swimming-pool surrounded by tropical vegetation: various indoor sports facilities, including tennis and badminton courts, a gymnasium, snooker tables and a tenpin bowling alley; shops, bars and restaurants. To that extent it justifies its claim to be isolated from the vagaries of the English weather.

But otherwise the Great Outdoors prevails. Having unloaded their baggage at their villas, visitors are politely but firmly instructed to leave their cars in a central park, where they remain until departure. During their stay they use bicycles, which can be hired from the company, or they walk.

The villas, about 700 of them, are scattered over some 400 acres of woodland; ours was a brisk and invigorating seven or eight-minute walk from the dome but close to the "country club", which houses a health farm, an aerobics room, a restaurant and a children's play area. In summer there are plenty of outdoor sports available, but on our visit, the snow added a Scandinavian or Canadian dimension to the overall hush. The place was fully booked, or nearly so, as it is for most of the year, but the muffled figures moving silently among the dark trees evoked memories of weekends in Stockholm.



The subtropical swimming pool at Elveden Forest Holiday Village

A generation from now, there should be many more trees, judging from the thousands of saplings planted on almost every available piece of land. In return for planning permission for the development, the company has pursued admirable environmental objectives, including the creation of more than five miles of new watercourses. On the Saturday afternoon, two swans banged vigorously on our French windows with their beaks to demand food.

A Center Parcs holiday does not come cheap: almost every activity is extra to the basic cost. But at Elveden it was hard to believe in such a thing as a recession. Families from beaming grandparents to toddlers ate and drank with a gusto worthy of *The Darling Buds of May*. At a time of supposed gloom and woe, I cannot recall ever having seen so many happy faces.

● *John Young was a guest at Elveden Forest Holiday Village, Brandon, Suffolk IP27 0YZ. Central reservations, 0623-411411.*

Lapsed Caledonian Norman Lane seizes the opportunity to rediscover his roots on a long weekend in the Borders

Short course in how to be a great Scot

On his famous trek south at the head of his rag-tag army, Bonnie Prince Charlie is reputed to have stayed overnight at Sunlaws House, the Borders home of Lady Chatto, a Jacobite sympathiser. With the benefit of hindsight, the Young Pretender should have given Derby a miss and stayed on to learn more about the ways of his countrymen.

How to be a Scot is an invitation still open today at Sunlaws House, now a 22-bedroom hotel, where even the English are welcome to sample such delights as wild haggis shooting, bagpipe-playing, caber-tossing, reeling and malt whisky tasting — or should it be whisky-tasting followed by reeling?

I have to admit that I am a lapsed Scot. Glasgow born and bred, I have spent more than half my life in England "out of kilter" with my native land. So it was with some anticipation that I arrived at Sunlaws clutching the "How to be a Scot" brochure and eager to sample life as the real McCoy.

From the first glimpse it was clear that this would be no Rab C. Nesbitt school of instruction. Sunlaws House lies in 200 acres of magnificent countryside, three miles from Kelso. It was bought in the 1960s by the Duke of Roxburghe, a distant cousin of the original owner, William Kerr of Chatto. The duke used it as an estate office for nearby Floors Castle until 11 years ago, when he transformed it into a hotel.

The 10th duke and duchess maintain a close interest in the hotel. The duchess has taken a hand in the refurbishment — each of the 22 bedrooms is individually decorated and furnished — while the duke plays a large part in the selection of the wine list. The hotel is run by a young, friendly staff under David Webster, the general manager, who explained the idea behind the two-night Scottish experience.

"We want to show our guests that they can experience the best in Scottish food and hospitality without having to travel far into Scotland," he said. "But the main idea is to sample Scottish traditions, and have a lot of fun doing it."

Which is how I found myself standing on a hill above Sunlaws, shotgun in hand, ready to engage a pudding in mortal combat.

"The haggis will come at you from over that hill. Just take your time, follow its flight with your gun, aim a little in front . . . and blow it to pieces," said Alistair Ferguson, a Scottish international marksman and my instructor on the range. Under his guidance I was soon dispatching the "tim'rous beasties", all looking remarkably like clay pigeons, with some aplomb.

But like the Bonnie Prince, I should not have been so confident. Shooting was to prove my one success as a Scotsman. For the rest, I looked a proper Charlie.



Sunlaws House, where even the English are welcome to sample the delights of wild haggis shooting, bagpipe-playing, caber-tossing and reeling

Take bagpipe playing. My only previous experience with pipes has been lagging them in the attic. Even so I would have expected to produce a sound, *any* sound, from several minutes of lung-bursting, eye-popping effort, especially as Jimmy Thomson, piper to the Duke of Roxburghe, was offering every encouragement and advice. But I could not even blow up the bag. It was left to Jimmy to play a lament to my failure.

For tossing a caber read nursing a hernia. Walter Weir, a 17-stone former Scottish amateur champion, insists that caber tossing is all in the technique. I didn't get as far as the technique — I couldn't lift the caber off the ground, far less throw it full circle in the air and land it in the 12 o'clock position, the object of the exercise. Moreover, Walter assured me that this was only a modest caber, at 90lb and 15ft long. "The caber at Braemar Highland Games is 21ft long and weighs a lot more," he said as I lay wheezing on the ground.

When I was young, my mother insisted I wear a kilt to Sunday school. Kilt wearing in the Highland glens was one thing, kilt wearing in the Glasgow backstreets was quite another. The memory still haunts me. So eschewing the kilt wearing deportment class at Sunlaws, I headed instead for the trout pond and a lesson in fly fishing.

Sixty per cent of guests stay at Sunlaws for the fishing or shooting. Game shooting takes place on the Roxburghe estate, while privately owned stretches of the Tweed and Teviot are available to the salmon and trout fishermen. The hotel has its own shooting school and the trout pond is restocked every month. The Scottish package includes free use of gun and rod, as well as tuition.

The hotel will happily clean, cook and serve anything caught by its guests. As I didn't fancy dining on a selection of reeds, leaves, branches and assorted grasses, the net result of my efforts at fly fishing, I settled on dinner from the menu.

The two-night stay at Sunlaws includes dinner, bed and breakfast and the food is memorable. The menu changes daily and, under the direction of chef David Bates, always includes Scottish dishes. Haggis in whisky sauce as a first course was one unexpected treat, while the medallions of Perthshire venison with burgundy and shallots was a main course fit for . . . well, a prince.

● *Sunlaws House Hotel, Kelso, Roxburghshire TD5 8JZ (0573 5331). "How to be a Scot", Friday and Saturday nights including dinner and breakfast, £180 per person.*



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As Apple Day approaches, a new book traces the rise — and fall — of our favourite fruit. **Frank Jeffery** reports

The ripening of the British apple

THE domestic apple began as a wild tree in the foothills of high ranges from the Heavenly Mountains of China to the shores of the Black Sea. When farming began — about 8,000BC in the Middle East — wild apples were transplanted to grow among other crops. Eventually the secret of grafting was discovered, making possible the cultivation of favoured apples.

In Britain and North America, as Joan Morgan and Alison Richards show in *The Book of Apples*, the apple is an important part of our cultural heritage.

Apple growing in Britain mirrors the growth of civilisation and an ordered society. It has links with politics, religion, social reform, art, science, farming, garden-making, décor, trade, colonialism and literature.

The apple has won a special affection in Britain. Writing in 1718, Richard Bradley said of the fruit: "I hold it almost impossible for the English to live without it."

An American coined the "apple a day" phrase, but



apart from a certain suspicion early on, the British have always accepted the apple as a delicious health food.

A study of the friendly fruit is in some ways a study of our cultural history. Before the Romans we had only nasty sour crab apples. They brought sweet apples, but we forgot how to grow them when the conquerors left.

The monks reminded us, bringing apple-growing to a high art in their monastery gardens, and spreading the news as part of their religious and secular teaching.

For a short period in the Middle Ages, the apple had a bad press. Scholars decided it was the fruit that tempted Eve and got mankind expelled from Eden. It was forbidden to children and nursing mothers and was thought to cause fevers. However, as *The Book of Apples* shows, the apple soon went up in the world. Early pleasure gardens featured rows of apple trees for the beauty of the blossom and the fruit.

Cider began to rival ale as a safe drink when you could not trust the water. The French began to produce individual styles: we imported them (French "costard" apples gave us the name costermonger) and started to grow our own varietal fruit.

Big landowners were ready to pay for specialist grafts for better-tasting fruit, and by the 15th century, a final fruit course, largely featuring apples, was the standard end to a rich man's dinner.

When Henry VIII broke with Rome in 1534, he exalted his princely power by ordering important apple planting. The Great Orchard at Hampton Court had varieties that cost sixpence a tree, six times more than the going rate for ordinary apples. Conspicuous apple cultivation became fashionable.

The Stuarts accelerated the trend. John Tradiscant, Charles I's gardener, brought apple trees from Holland and further afield. In great houses fruit grown on the estate, especially apples, was a tasty status symbol.

Francis Bacon, the philosopher, envisaged a perfect garden in which early apples would ripen as pinks flowered beneath.

When Charles I bought Wimbledon Manor for his French wife, Henrietta Maria, more than 1,000 fruit trees were planted, including many apples.

For the early Protestants the apple was God's own fruit, something which had escaped from Eden and must be carefully nurtured. The cultivation of orchards, they felt, would bring us closer to the holy state. Apples grew well in northern Europe, where Protestantism began and flourished. The Puritans, especially, encouraged market gardens and Cromwell's Agent for the Advancement of Universal Learning, Samuel Hartlib, sent out emissaries to order every landowner to plant fruit trees.

When William of Orange came over with Mary and his entourage to take the throne, Dutch skill in apple growing came as part of their cultural baggage.

Religious refugees to North America took apples with them and planted them freely in the early colonies. Later the folk hero, Johnny Appleseed, took boatloads of apple pips into Ohio to spread the fruit. George Washington granted a lease on some land in Virginia on condition that the tenant planted 100 apple trees.

The upper classes in England saw the apple as a cultural symbol, an example of art, skill and industry. So the fruit occurs in carving and plasterwork in grand houses. Petworth in Sussex and Sudbury Hall in Derbyshire contain good examples.



The golden pippin was reckoned the best eating apple in the mid-18th century. The diarist John Evelyn rated it the finest; the empress of Russia ordered English golden pippins at a guinea a bushel.

Cooked apples were an important part of the everyday diet, normally coddled or baked, sweetened with sugar from the West Indies and enlivened with spices if you could afford them. George II loved his apple puddings.

By the late 18th century, apple growing in England had become more scientific, with more naming of varieties, more emphasis on growing quality fruit. The London Hor-



ticultural Society, later the Royal Horticultural Society, began to categorise dessert and cooking apples. Named apples like Ribston Pippin, King of the Pippins, Golden Noble and Blenheim Orange became widely known and grown. The Ribston, born in Yorkshire from the pip of a French apple eaten in Rouen, was probably an ancestor of the Cox's Orange Pippin, which appeared in the 1820s and became the mainstay of English dessert apples.

Pomonas appeared, beautiful volumes about apples and other fruit, illustrated with exquisitely detailed paintings. Some cost as much as £60.

Apples were heavily seasonal, some being eaten early, others earmarked to keep through the winter.

British apples sold well in food markets until towards the end of the 19th century, when imports flooded in from France, Canada and the United States and later from Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. British growers fought back by concentrating on a few varieties and trying to improve the quality and especially the appearance of their fruit.

But the first half of the 20th century could have been the swansong of the British apple. One man especially fought hard to keep it alive. The nurseryman Edward Bunyard rekindled interest in growing many varieties and concentrating on producing fruit with good flavour, for in this area the British apple excelled. He brought a selection of his dessert apples to meetings of André Simon's Wine and Food Society, and he went on the radio in the early days of its development to speak for the fruit. He became a sort of apple evangelist and encouraged home growers to fight off cheap imports.

In the second world war, apple production declined. Old orchards were grubbed up to produce other foods, and no new ones were planted until 1950. Gradually quantity and quality improved, but as apples were increasingly sold in supermarkets, a new danger emerged.

In the mid-1970s, the invasion of the French Golden Delicious began, heavily advertised on television as "Le Crunch". The Golden Delicious had been developed from an American apple.

It grew well in the valleys of the Loire and the Rhône, cropped heavily and produced good-looking, regular-sized fruits that looked appetising on supermarket shelves.

English apple growers fought back by emphasising the superior flavour of the Cox. The battle continues but this country still imports 60 per cent of its apples.

Most of us accept that the flavour of English dessert apples and the tang of English cookers is still the best. (The famous American apple pie is made with dessert apples, which taste when cooked, Bunyard thought, like stewed wood.) But we no longer have the large variety of home-grown apples, and some of the old intense flavours have disappeared with modern farming and storing methods.

However, Morgan and Richards see signs that the true British apple is coming back through the growing interest in food with more character and flavour, pro-



duced naturally. They write: "With consumer rebellion against intensively produced and characterless food products beginning to grow, there are now signs that the wheel has started to turn full circle. From the sterile order of the modern apple industry, it may still be possible to salvage something from the glorious past."

The cooking apple, page 5

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● The Book of Apples *by Joan Morgan and Alison Richards is published by Ebury Press, price £19.99.*

● *Common Ground's Apple Map (above right) charts the rich links between places and apple varieties. The growing, tending and using of these apples in their place will keep the landscape, recipes, songs, customs (such as wassailing), cider, wildlife, bees — and hence the intricacies of local culture — in good stead. Apple Day (October 21) is a celebration of this bio-diversity and cultural richness: events are happening all over the country around that time. For details send an s.a.e. to Common Ground, 41 Shelton Street, London WC2H 9HJ. The Apple Map is on A1 paper in full colour, and costs £6.*

Agas, thrashers — ingrates the lot

FARMER'S DIARY: PAUL HEINEY

COMPARED with most farmers who need to get as much from their land as they can achieve in order to survive, I do not think I ask a lot of this little farm. I give the land and the stock as much tender, loving care as it needs. Like a besotted lover I have wooed it endlessly with fences, gates, barns and ditches. We have put our organic hearts into the natural fertilising of the land and never spared the stock their feed, no matter how expensive or hard won.



And now it is beginning to pay off; the farm is beginning to get a twinkle in her eye. Weaned from their previous chemical regime, the soils are showing every sign of recovering from their chemical addictions. The stock are healthier too; I have not had to take my grim grave-digger's spade to excavate a resting place for a ewe for at least a year. But for all the bunches of red roses that I have blandished on my mistress, there are ways in which she shows signs of fickleness. Ingratitude.

I am referring to the farm machinery, or at least a couple of items from our battery of aged farm implements. Let us take first of all the Lister Single Cylinder Petrol Engine (circa 1950). If working, it is a useful little engine: light enough to be dragged around the farm to drive the hay elevator or oat-roller. These engines have a certain charm. Always painted green, they are to be seen at rallies emiting an irritating put . . . put . . . put . . . hiccup . . . put, while onlookers marvel as if the internal combustion engine had just been invented. The trouble with my engine is that there is rather too much hiccup and not enough put put. In the hands of our local engineer, Mr Jackson, she runs like a Bentley, but she knows he is the sort of man who can perform with a spanner what Christiaan Barnard used to manage with a scalpel. But as soon as I get her home, the spark goes out of her. I crank for hours until my head spins but she will not go. I send for Mr Jackson. He primes her with fuel and then spins her no more than twice and away she roars like a lion, thundering with energy, put . . . put . . . putting me in my place!

But if the Lister is a bitch, words fail me to describe the Ransomes Thrashing Machine. We have been lavishing love on her for most of the summer: replacing her worm-infested timbers, oiling her parts and amply greasing her countless nipples. More than that, we have given her a coat of pink paint to restore her first flush of youth. In other words, we have rejuvenated her with a thoroughness that would make the Fondas, Collinses and Cartlands of this world envious.

And how am I repaid for my kindness? Well, last weekend was *The Times* readers' weekend. Thirty-five of the nicest people you could wish to meet descended on us, and I have to confess I hardly slept a wink the night before. I knew that some disaster was certain to befall me, and I spent the long night hours working out what it might be. I thought I might proudly take them to see the ewes, and as we went through the gate several would be on their backs, feet in the air, embarrassingly dead. Then I thought the cows might do their breaking-through-the-fence-and-heading-for-the-next-parish display. Or perhaps our young cart-horse Prince would refuse when it came to pulling the potato lifting machine. When the Aga blew up leaving us with thirty-five uncooked steak-and-oyster pies to deal with. I was quite relieved. I guessed fate had at last struck and all would now be well.

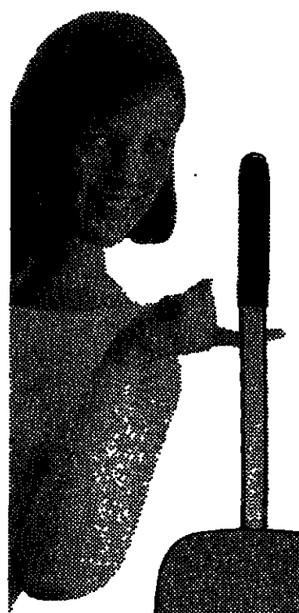
Alas, she had one more trick up her sleeve. I gathered a small gang to demonstrate the aged art of thrashing corn. We started the driving engine and slowly the machine gathered speed. With the fluency of a well-rehearsed guide showing off the crown jewels, I waxed on about the "soothing hum of the properly tuned thrasher".

Then frowns crossed spectators' faces and fingers started to point. I looked round and saw the first length of wood splintering. Then another. Over the noise of the engine, the catastrophic graunching could not be heard, and so the gang blithely kept feeding her sheaves of corn. It turned out that one short length of metal had snapped and spread devastation throughout the machine.

So why could this not have happened the night before when we tested her? Why did the bitch wait till a crowd of expectant onlookers were gazing at her? What am I doing wrong?

I am thinking of writing to Marje Proops. I wonder if she knows how to handle a thrasher?

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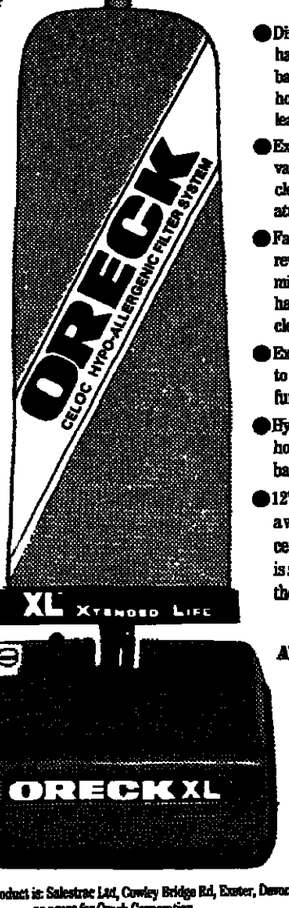
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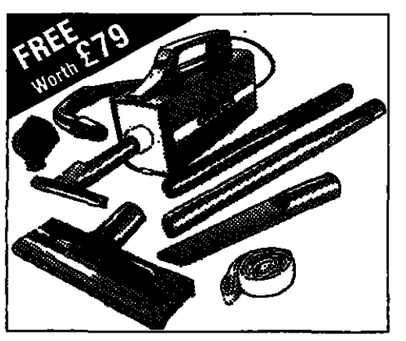
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ROBIN YOUNG

The mushroom-gathering season is here. **Sarah Woodward** takes a walk in the woods

A free lunch on a forest foray

PETER TRIEVNOR



The local mushroom society in the Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire — when edible varieties are spotted, "more are picked than would seem necessary for identification"

In France and Italy, it is a national sport; in Germany and Spain it is a common weekend pastime. But in Britain, gathering mushrooms died a death at the turn of the century, as people became alarmed about the risks rather than enticed by the pleasures.

Not without reason. Although mushroom-picking has the advantage of being a means to free food, it also has the disadvantage of being dangerous, unless you know what you are looking for. Every year, 30 or 40 people in France die from mushroom poisoning, even though local pharmacies offer a mushroom inspection service. In Paris, there is a hospital that deals specifically with fungi poisoning.

Deaths in Britain are rare, because fewer people gather mushrooms. In Victorian times, remedies for poisoning were developed: a deathcap victim was advised to eat the brains of three rabbits, combined with seven slugs. This delicacy was to be taken raw. Presumably if the mushroom did not kill you, the "cure" would.

If you have a taste for wild mushrooms, the best idea is to pick them yourself; few shops here stock the fungal treasures so common on market stalls on the Continent.

This was not always so. In *Mushrooms and Toadstools*, published in the 1950s, John Ramsbottom says that about 80 years ago half a dozen species were commonly sold in London's Covent Garden market — at a time when only the cultivated mushroom was on sale in Paris.

Today, a few shops in London offer fresh, wild mushrooms (Harvey Nichols' food store is one of the best), and you will see them on Berwick Street market in Soho, but outside the capital outlets are rare. Mushrooms gathered on a commercial scale, particularly chanterelles in Scotland, are more likely to find themselves on an aeroplane to France than winging their way to your local greengrocer.

Which mushrooms should you pick? There is plenty of folklore about identifying mushrooms that are good and safe to eat. As early as the 4th century BC, it was recorded that a poisonous mushroom will turn a silver spoon black. Some pickers believe that if slugs or other creatures have had a nibble, or even if the skin can be peeled off, the mushroom is not poisonous. Be warned: this advice has no grounding in fact.

Many identify their mushrooms using a field guide. But this can be a hit-and-miss affair, requiring great attention to detail and a brave heart: a mushroom may look similar but not identical to the photograph, raising doubts in your mind. A more reassuring way to learn to identify edible species of mushrooms is to accompany an experienced naturalist on a walk in the woods.

If you don't know a mushroom expert, help is at hand through the British Mycological Society, a scientific body with a steadily growing amateur section of more than 40 local groups, who organise fungi hunts, or "forays", as they are known. Dr Jack Marriott is the associate national co-ordinator of the society, responsible, among other things, for producing a newsletter detailing forthcoming events.



Dr Jack Marriott, co-ordinator of the British Mycological Society

On autumn weekends, he leads a foray in his local area of the Forest of Dean, one of Britain's best hunting grounds for fungi. These are serious affairs, the amateur mycologists armed with knives to dig the fungus out, hand lenses for identification and notepads for recording details of the finds. Non-edible species are sought out with as much enthusiasm as the delicious varieties, for the essence here is taxonomy, not gastronomy. And as Latin names are freely bandied about, the depth of knowledge among these amateurs reassures the most suspicious of mushroom gatherers.

When pressed, foray members admit that each has his or her own secret spot for finding chanterelles and ceps, puffballs and shaggy inkcaps, horns of plenty, hedgehog and parasol mushrooms, which they would not dream of revealing to their fellow mycologists.

Dr Marriott's wife, Patricia, remembers enthusiastically a soup made from the honey fungus: her husband worries that this autumn may have been too cold for a plentiful harvest of ceps, and harks back to the miraculous year of 1990, when they gathered tens of pounds of the favourite mushroom of Italy.

One forayer confides: "I'm only here for those I can eat — but don't tell the others." And I do notice that, when we happen upon a clump of yellow chanterelles, perhaps the most delicious of all, rather more are picked than would seem necessary for identification.

Armed with a new confidence, I set off for a foray into the Forest of Dean. Half a mile into the woods, I found a couple rummaging through the fallen leaves, their wicker basket already piled with ceps. Or should I say *porcini*, because they were talking to each other in Italian. They told me they were going to use their haul for a risotto.

Wild mushroom risotto

8oz/225g wild mushrooms
1 clove garlic (optional)
2pt/1.1l vegetable stock (preferably made with a few dried, wild mushrooms)
2oz/55g butter
10oz/285g arboric rice
1tsp olive oil

Cooking risotto is not an exact science, it requires regular tasting towards the end of the process. If possible, it is best to avoid washing wild mushrooms. Rub off any earth with a hand, then give another wipe with a clean, damp cloth. Slice the larger mushrooms vertically. Peel the garlic clove and chop finely. Warm the stock almost to boiling point.

Melt 1½ oz/45g of the butter over a medium to low heat in a large, heavy-based frying pan. Add the rice and turn to coat in the fat. Add a ladleful of hot stock and leave to bubble away. When all the liquid has been absorbed, pour in another ladle of stock. Continue until the rice is nearly *al dente*, but still with some bite (this will take about 20 minutes; taste to check).

Meanwhile, fry the mushrooms in the remaining butter and the oil, together with the garlic and plenty of seasoning, for five minutes over a medium heat. When the rice is nearly ready, stir in the mushroom mixture. Cook for another five minutes, with a little more liquid as necessary.

● *When picking wild mushrooms, never take more than you need. Ancient woodland is the most promising area to look in, preferably a day or two after rain. The season lasts until November, although there are also several edible varieties which grow in spring. For details of the forays of the associates of the British Mycological Society, write to: Dr J.V.R. Marriott, St Swithin's House, Oldcroft, Lydney, Gloucestershire GL15 4NF, enclosing an SAE.*



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Between now and Christmas the speciality beer sellers have organised a virtually non-stop beer *fest*. The Beer Cellar's Christmas 1993 catalogue (0252 861875 for a copy) lists 150 different brews from more than 30 countries. Safeway's Beer Festival (until October 31, free tastings this weekend and next) includes 100 regional ales. Oddbins too has its own *Oktoberfest* until October 24 (again with free tastings October 9, 16 and 23).

In the hunt for the very best, beware of the silly, gimmicky "designer beers". Most are ridiculously expensive, generally anaemic lagers from exotic locations such as India, Mexico and remote American states, in an over-the-top clear glass bottle with the name painted directly on to it.



Instead, sniff out a genuine, characterful beer displaying a unique, often indigenous style and taste. The chief home of these is not some far-flung corner of the world, but northern Europe, including Britain.

Loosely, beer is any fermented brew that is made from grain and flavoured with hops before going on, hopefully, to be aged and conditioned. Checking whether your chosen brew is cask-conditioned or bottle-conditioned is vital. Most bottled and draught beers are pasteurised and filtered before they get to you. In other words, these beers are incapable of maturing and can only deteriorate with time. Cask-conditioned or bottle-conditioned beers, on the other hand, are capable, like wine, of getting better with age.

So which are worth drinking? I was inclined to dismiss the new draught-in-a-can versions, but Safeway's new rich, hoppy Cornbrook Draught Ale (£3.79 for four 480ml cans) persuades me that they have potential. Safeway's ten-strong Best of British Beer Box (£9.95) includes such bulldog treats as Tolly's flowery Strong Ale from Suffolk, Thwaites' nutty, bitter Big Ben, Batemans' hoppy Triple XB, and Wadworth of Wiltshire's strong, fruity Old Timer. Oddbins' great British bottle-conditioned beers include Yorkshire's wondrously good fruity-bitter Black Sheep Ale (50cl for £1.25, taste it on October 23), King & Barnes' lovely, yeasty Festival Ale (55cl for £1.39, taste on October 16) and, best of all, Thomas Hardy's deep, delicious, fragrant Country Bitter (55cl for £1.29).

From abroad, try the original pilsener, Pilsner Urquell, the ripe, hoppy lager beer from Czechoslovakia (660ml at Tesco and Oddbins for £1.99). Look out too for original wheat beers, such as Tesco's German Thurn und Taxis earthy, cloudy Weizen (50cl for £1.25). Try also Belgium's spontaneously fermented combination of new and oak-aged lambic wheat beers, such as Lindemans' sweet, lemony Gueuze (37.5cl for £1.15, Oddbins).

JANE MACQUITTY

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Noodles from the Orient, express!

The art of slurping and canoodling

Japanese noodles are a fast food for the 1990s, *tasty* and versatile but with scarcely a drop of fat. In Japan, noodles can be high class and high tech as well as high speed. A restaurateur celebrated Crown Prince Naruhito's wedding this summer by creating a *noodle dish* garnished with gold dust. The very latest in pot noodles cooks itself when the base is twisted to start a heat-creating chemical reaction.

With its strong, clean flavours and fresh ingredients, Japanese food is a food lover's way to health — Japanese soy sauce and miso bean paste have joined olive oil and tomatoes in my kitchen.

Japanese food seems more daunting than Chinese or Thai to the home cook, but forget about performing samurai sword skills on bits of carrot and concentrate on the wonderful combination of fresh ingredients with rich, savoury flavours (appealing to *Marmite addicts*) and sweet undertones.

Try miso soup, made in minutes, sweet/tart pink pickled ginger, sesame seeds milled over rich seaweed in stir-fries, nutty sesame oil, and *salads* dressed with sweet rice vinegar and soy sauce.

The potential for populist Japanese food, as opposed to the pricy restaurants designed for people with expense accounts, has been shown in *Bloomsbury, in London*, where Wagamama is bringing noodles to the masses. Launched to feed 500 a day, this high-tech, trendy restaurant is such a sell-out success that it actually packs in 1,000, who can feed for less than a fiver.

There are four types of Japanese noodles. Wagamama serves *ramen* noodles, which are Chinese in origin but have been adopted and adapted by the Japanese. Served in a tasty stock broth, they have various toppings, from salmon to carrots.

Udon noodles, the *linguine* of Japan, can be treated in the same way as *ramen* and are *robust enough when cooked to* be stir-fried with meat, fish and vegetables in a sauce.

Fine *somen* wheat noodles are usually eaten chilled in the summer.

I want to look more closely at the fourth kind, deliciously sweet *soba* noodles, usually made of buckwheat flour.

According to Japanese tradition, *soba* noodles represent longevity because of their length. The New Year is welcomed in shortly before midnight with helpings of *toshikoshi* ("passing of the year") *soba*, which is a dish of plain noodles served with a little *nori* seaweed and a *dipping sauce*.

There are two main ways of eating *soba*. You can add whatever topping you want (it may just be a few chopped spring onions and some grated ginger, or something more substantial) and serve it with a dipping sauce. The Japanese tend to have strong, salty sauces, so it makes sense *to dip food into them rather* than pour the sauce over the dish and offend the salt-shy. *Hot and cold noodles are eaten* in this way.



Hattie Ellis

on how to enjoy the latest in high-tech, high-class fast food from Japan

The second way to eat *soba* is in a hot broth, which makes a sort of main-course soup. Many European soups are made with all the ingredients *tossed into one pot and cooked* together so the flavours mingle. The three components of *soba* dishes (broth, noodles and topping) are cooked separately and combined just before serving so the flavours *and textures are distinct.*

How to cook soba

1. The complicated but exciting method:
Put 3-4oz of noodles per person in plenty of boiling water. When an alarming white froth surges towards the top of your pan, lower the heat slightly and add half a cupful of cold water. This cools down the water so the inside and outside of the noodles are evenly cooked. Add two more half-cupfuls of water as the froth rises again (keeping the heat at medium). The noodles should be *al dente* after the third addition but check. It takes *between five and seven minutes*. Drain and wash off the starch.

2. The easy but less precise method:
Cook the noodles like spaghetti. Put them in boiling water, bring back to the boil and lower to a medium heat until ready. Drain and wash.

Here are some ways to serve *soba*. *The unfamiliar Japanese* ingredients are described below the recipes.

Quick soba noodle broth

(serves four)

2pt water

2½in/6cm piece of kombu seaweed

roughly 4 handfuls of bonito flakes (about ¾oz/20g)

3fl oz Japanese soy sauce

3tbsp mirin

2 tbsp sugar

Bring the water to the boil with the *kombu*, then remove the *kombu* straight away. Add the bonito flakes and boil for three minutes. Add the soy sauce, *mirin* and sugar. Simmer for five minutes, stirring occasionally. Strain off the bonito flakes.

The broth will taste salty on its own but works with the other ingredients. Do not add ordinary salt at any stage.

Soba dipping sauce

(if you are not eating the soba in a broth)

This is just a stronger version of the broth using the same method and ingredients but with one pint of water, a 1½in/4cm piece of kombu, two handfuls of bonito flakes. Or for a quicker, very strong version, just mix the soy sauce and mirin.

Serve in a little bowl or tea cup next to the noodles.

Soba toppings

The noodles can be served simply, with or without the broth, with a handful of chopped spring onions, including the dark green tops, and about ¼ tsp of grated fresh ginger (some cookery and health-food shops sell a wonderful china gadget for grating ginger, which saves you shaving your knuckles).

Here are two more substantial toppings, but you can use anything you fancy from salmon to leeks. I know one Japanese cook who is partial to tomato ketchup on his *soba*. Remember the toppings need *no seasoning as they are* served in the broth or with the dipping sauce.

Chicken and carrots in broth

(serves four)

2 chicken breasts, sliced

2 carrots, thinly sliced

2 spring onions, very finely sliced

Quickly stir-fry the chicken until nearly cooked. Add the carrots and stir-fry with the chicken. Ladle some broth into a bowl, add the noodles, then the stir-fry. Scatter on the spring onions and serve immediately.

Prawn and asparagus, without broth

six spears of asparagus per person

handful of prawns per person

sesame seeds

Steam the asparagus until cooked but firm. Warm the prawns through in the steamer. Put the noodles in a bowl or on a plate. Put the prawns and asparagus on the noodles, scatter over some sesame seeds and serve immediately with the dipping sauce. Do not worry that the *noodles are not swamped with* a sauce. The pink prawns and green asparagus look great and the noodles have enough flavour of their own to be surprisingly naked.

Here's some guidance for *newcomers to Japanese* ingredients. Bonito flakes are pinkish shavings off a hard slab of dried fish. *Mirin* is a sweet cooking rice wine which brings out other flavours. Sherry can be substituted if *you cannot find it. Japanese* soy sauce is subtler than the Chinese version and may be labelled as *tamari* (which is *made without wheat*) or *shoyu*. *Kombu* is a seaweed which you should wipe but not wash before cooking to retain the surface tastes.

High quality *soba* is made with more than 70 per cent buckwheat, the rest being made up with wheat flour. *I like the 100 per cent* buckwheat dried noodles imported from Japan by Clearspring, which specialises in natural foods. They have a distinctive, sweet flavour which goes well in the traditional salty Japanese broth and are widely available in health-food shops, as are most Japanese ingredients. Bonito *flakes* and *mirin* are harder to come by, but see below for mail order details..

The Japanese pick out the noodles and other bits with chopsticks, and raise the lipless bowl to drink the broth. *Slurping is practised by the* politest Japanese to cool down the steaming noodles. I do it partly for the glorious noise. The only problem with exuberant eating comes when the noodles perform a wild windmilling action, spraying the broth generously around your face, shirt and neighbours. Several times I have had the fearful experience of a noodle slapping my glasses like an octopus tentacle attacking a submarine window. To remedy this, hold your chopsticks on either side of the stream of *noodles flowing into your* mouth so any stray motions are checked.

Noodles make up part of a dinner, a snack or a light but satisfying lunch. Finish with fruit and Japanese green tea.

● *Britain's first specialist* soba *noodle bar is at Yaohan Plaza, a Japanese-owned shopping complex at 399 Edgware Road, Colindale, London NW9. Japanese ingredients are available by mail order from Freshlands, 196 Old Street, London EC1V 9FR (071-490 3170).*



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DISH OF THE DAY



Chef: Gordon Ramsay, 26.

Born: Glasgow.

Restaurant: Aubergine, 11 Park Walk, London SW10 (071-352 3449).

Present: Has just opened his *"restaurant du quartier"* on the site of Park Walk, a trendy trattoria of the 1970s.

Past: Two years with Marco Pierre White, and then in Paris for two years with Guy Savoy, and eight months at Joël Robuchon's Jamin.

Future: "I would like to stay modest for the moment, concentrating on becoming number one in Chelsea."

Personal: Goes *coarse fishing with his* friend and mentor, Marco Pierre White, but does not catch much. When eating out, favours Ken Lo's Memories of China in Ebury Street for Chinese food.

Dish: Risotto of crab and clams. His variant of a Guy Savoy creation, it involves half rice, half crabmeat, cooked in fish stock, with a little *confit of shallots*, a judicious blend of mascarpone and finely grated parmesan, all surrounded with little clams in a dressing of tomato, olive oil, lemon juice and chives. Part of a fixed-price menu, from which two dishes, at lunch or dinner, are just £14, or three for £18.

ROBIN YOUNG

A harvest in apple-pie order

More than 2,000 *distinct varieties of apple* grow in the National Apple Collection at Brogdale in Kent, and a further 100 in the Brogdale cider apple collection. *Brogdale's range* contains all the eating apples, but is also fascinating for the large variety of English culinary apples.

Britain is the only country to develop a range of sharp apples especially for cooking. *In America*, a variety is regarded as deficient if it is not good both for eating and for making pies and apple sauces.

For *nearly a century the* Bramley Seedling has been the cooking apple by which all other varieties are measured. But many of the cookers grown at Brogdale and in British gardens are by no *means* as green and sharp as the Bramleys on sale.



The cooking apple is a British culinary speciality

Culinary apples are more acidic than eating varieties *and normally larger. The* balance of acid and sugar determines taste, and the amount of acid affects the cooking properties. Cooking liberates the acids, which break down the flesh of the fruit.

Generally, the more acidic the apple the better it will cook to a purée. Less acid apples retain their shape better when cooked, but too little acid means the apple will not soften. The flesh may also turn a fawn colour.

The Summer Codlin, an early apple, has a loose-textured flesh with a lot of water. *It will cook quickly, often to a* froth. Lord Grosvenor and Early Victoria cook to a fluff.

Through September and October, the culinary properties change. Froths give way to more substantial purées, and some varieties may retain some of their shape. Ecklinville, Hawthornden and Golden Noble *are in this* category.

The old autumn variety, Beauty of Kent, keeps its form and has a delicate flavour that needs no extra sugar — although the taste will be swamped in anything but the simplest dishes.

At the sharper end of the scale are Warner's King, Dumelow's Seedling (Queen Victoria's favourite cooking apple) and the Bramley Seedling. All these make robustly flavoured purées.

An easy way to test the cooking qualities of an apple is to bake slices in a sealed foil dish for 15 minutes at 200C (390F). Apples that break down readily into a froth will cook quickly and easily. They will be good baked and for making apple snow.

Those that turn into a purée or retain a little firmness will also bake well and are good for making apple pies, apple sauce and most traditional English recipes. Varieties whose slices remain intact are suitable for continental and American recipes.

In this country, apples are normally served with pork but no other meat, although elsewhere in the world, cooks are more adventurous. In Germany, for instance, apples are often served with liver, and in northern France all kinds of fowl are cooked with apples. In Australia they eat apple sauce with roast beef.

Apple puddings and pies come in an endless list of recipes. *For a traditional apple* pie, the plainer the recipe the better.

Apple tart is best eaten warm, fresh from the oven, with cream, although it is still often the custom to serve it with a slice of cheese.

Apple dumplings are eaten all over Europe (in Austria they call *them* "apples in dressing gowns"). The apple is peeled, cored, and filled with butter and sugar and a piece of lemon peel or a spoonful of jam. The fruit is then wrapped in shortcrust pastry, with a hole left at the top, and baked for ten minutes at 200C (390F) or 30 minutes at 180 (350F).

● *Edited extract by Frank Jeffery from* The Book of Apples *(Ebury Press, £19.99) by Joan Morgan and Alison Richards.*

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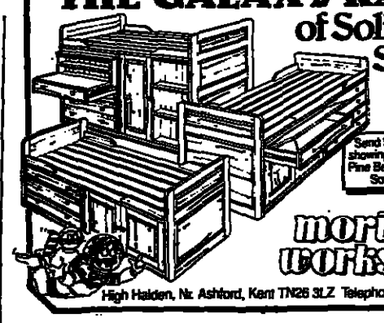
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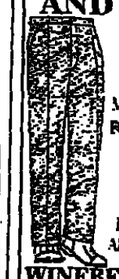
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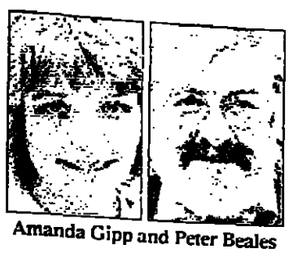
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On a visit to Peter Beales's nursery in Norfolk, **Francesca Greenoak** searches out late-flowering roses

On the scent of a rosy autumn



Amanda Gipp and Peter Beales



STEVE HILL

This glorious spread includes the deep red "Rose de Reschi", cream "Gruss an Aachen", pink "Irene Watts" and red/pink "Louise Odier"

Our white climbing rose, "Madame Alfred Carrière", is in bloom again. In spite of the disagreeable weather of the past few weeks, it has enveloped my daughter's bedroom window in creamy scented blooms, which spill down to the kitchen door, giving us a better display than we had in summer.

Many old roses bloom into the autumn, some continuously, others in a last fine fling two or three months after their summer flowering. Observing the dainty China rose "Cécile Brunner" unfolding some late, pale pink buds made me curious to find out how many other late-season roses there might be. I visited Peter Beales and his daughter Amanda at their rose nursery in Attleborough in Norfolk.

Species roses rarely get mildew or black spot in autumn

For the first few minutes, I was almost diverted from my quest by the display of foliage and hips on the early-flowering species roses which form an informal hedge flanking the lawn of the Beales's display garden. Mr Beales has the national collection of species roses, which tend to flower early in the season, but early autumn is a concert of foliage and hips. The golds and crimsons of autumn contrasted with foliage still green — species roses rarely get mildew or black spot — and the red, orange, mahogany brown and black hips, which come in a huge variety of button, flask and bead shapes.

An abundance of small, fluffy, blush-coloured roses dotting a nearby bush of dark foliage recalled me to my purpose. This early 19th-century hybrid, named "Stanwell Perpetual", is an unusually long-flowering result of a cross between the black-hipped *Rosa pimpinellifolia* and a damask rose. It begins to flower in June and continues to produce sweet-scented flowers well into autumn. Early hybrids tend to be healthier than high-pedigree interbreedings. The fragrant "Blush Noisette", with its large clustered pink flowers, is a seedling from a cross between the China rose and the species musk. The turn of the century "Gardenia", with its creamy-white apple-scented blooms, is a hybrid with the glossy-leaved *Rosa wichuraiana*. The popular white "Nevada", which flowers first in late May and then again in autumn, is a *Rosa moyesii* hybrid.

I have always been fond of the moss roses with their whiskery sepals and stems, which, when rubbed, add their balsamic scent to the perfume of the flowers. "Madame Delaroche-Lambert" is one which has a lovely second flowering of richly-scented, purple blooms well into the autumn. The Portlands, too, are a handsome and richly scented group of robustly healthy shrub roses, many of which have a late blooming. "Comte de Chambord" makes a small shrub with heavily fragrant, cupped, lilac-pink flowers; similarly compact in habit, "Rose de Reschi" has smaller, beautifully formed, dark pink flowers. Both have the strong, wide-spectrum scent of the Portland, which has light and dark tones.

By the time I left Norfolk, I had an armful of autumn roses, now in two vases on my desk, flooding my workroom with scent. I was intrigued to find that late-flowering kinds run through so many different groups, including hybrid perpetuals and early hybrid teas bred in the last century, such as the superbly full-petalled "Baroness Rothschild", "Reine des Violettes" with its faded antique purple, and the copper-centred single "Dainty Bess", all strongly perfumed.

It is well worth searching out some of these lovely repeat-flowering and continuous-flowering older roses. After you have tasted their delights, it is unthinkable not to want to grow these sensational colours and scents, continuing as long as possible into the later part of the year.

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Deepest central France, an undiscovered region for me. I think I would enjoy exploring the area because all the English who go to the Dordogne and the Bourgogne come back raving about it.

How would you get there?
I would drive myself in an open-top car along the back roads.

Where would you stay?
At a small village inn as yet unruined by the guide books, where the patron would produce simple home cooking.

Who would be your perfect companion?
My friend Jocelyn Stevens [chairman, English Heritage].

What essential piece of clothing or kit would you take?
A pair of boots to explore the countryside, and a sun hat.

What medicines would accompany you?
Mosquito repellent.

What would you have to eat?
French farm cooking — roast chicken, *tarte aux pommes*, local cheese and maybe, if the season were right, truffles or foie gras.

What would you have to drink?
Château-Lafite 1945.

Which books would you read?
Both Trollopes, Anthony and Joanna, and any book that is as well written and interesting as *Wild Swans* by Jung Chang.

What music would you listen to?
At least one opera I did not know well that we were putting on at the Royal Opera House this season. If I were going now, I would take *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg*.

What would you watch on television?
I hope there wouldn't be one.

What film would you watch?
Gone with the Wind for the umpteenth time, and *Napoleon*, the wonderful black and white film directed by Abel Gance.

Would you play any games or sport?
I would swim if I were near a lake and ski if in the mountains. If there were bridge players at hand, I would play some noisy and bad bridge.

What piece of art would you like to have there?
A whole wall full of vividly coloured Paris bridges by Matisse from last year's exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

What luxury would you take?
Roses for the bedroom.

Who would be your least welcome guest?
Taki [*The Spectator* columnist], because he is always so horribly rude about me.

Which newspapers or journals would you read?
The Jerusalem Post, which I read when I am in Israel, and when I can get my hands on the weekly international copy.

What three things would you leave behind?
The phone, the fax and, above all, the people who phone to ask if you have received their fax — and ask why you haven't answered.

What three things would you most like to do?
1. Browse around antique shops. 2. Visit the museum in the nearest town. 3. Make no plans.

Who would you send a postcard to?
My children, although I am a notoriously bad correspondent.

What souvenir would you bring home?
A miracle diet.

What would you like to find when you got home?
A note telling me that all the tickets for the next gala at the Royal Opera House, which I am chairing, have sold out.

Interview by Rosanna Greenstreet

● *Mrs Duffield is also chairman of the Vivien Duffield Foundation and a board director of the Royal Opera House.*

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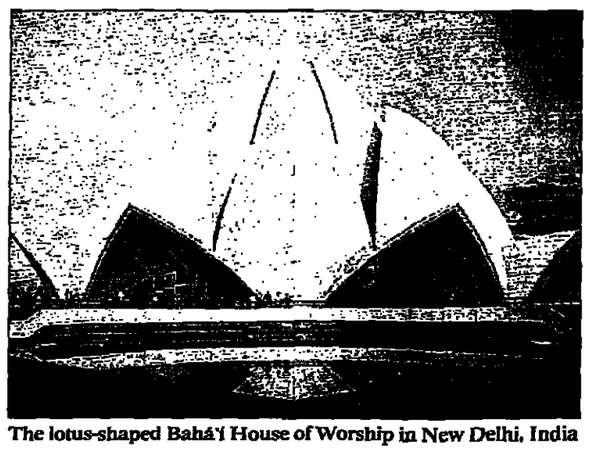
5/5 *Pleasure ratings are awarded to a maximum of five. Column centimetres indicate the length of reviews to date published in national broadsheet newspapers.*

3/5 **Staged:** Peter Hall, founding director of the RSC, is evidently a man who stirs strong emotions. Reviewers were split between affection and irritation for both the man and his autobiography, *Making an Exhibition of Myself* (Sinclair-Stevenson, £20). The actor and director Keith Baxter loved both. In *The Sunday Telegraph* he admired the book's "driving energy" and said it was "bound to become a work of reference for anyone interested in the British theatre". Sheridan Morley in *The Sunday Times* disagreed, taking exception to Hall's vanity, and objecting to Hall's "belief that the world starts and stops as he wakes and sleeps". Malcolm Rutherford in *The Financial Times* added: "There is an excessive use of the first person singular and a not entirely convincing parade of self-justification... One wonders how a man who claims to be punctilious with detail can write such a sloppy book."
Col cms: 289

3/5 **Whimsy and a prayer:** Perhaps a thesaurus should have been sent out with every review copy of Ysenda Maxtone Graham's examination of the parlous state of the Church of England, *The Church Hesitant* (Hodder & Stoughton, £18.99) — Maxtone Graham's style was described as "whimsical" with alarming regularity. Mary Loudon in *The Independent* said Maxtone Graham "has a prose style that is a joy to read when it is not tarnished by whimsy". Rebecca Fowler in *The Sunday Times* wrote: "Whizzing whimsically across the country... she makes a brave attempt to explain why we might like to feel some affection... for a crumbling institution." Enoch Powell in *The Daily Telegraph* dismissed her as "incurably rhapsodical". Makes a change from whimsical.
Col cms: 73

2/5 **Hacking away:** *Visiting Mrs Nabokov And Other Excursions* (Cape, £15.99) is a swanky title for what is no more than a selection of Martin Amis's journalism from the past few years. Does it amount to £15.99-worth of hardback? Nick Hornby in *The Sunday Times* thought not, calling the collection "scrappy and self-indulgent". Susannah Herbert in *The Sunday Telegraph* chose to praise Amis's interviews with other writers as "gladiatorial in a curiously respectful way... Amis knows it is more valuable to understand why great writing works than to discover how great writers work". Hermione Lee in *The Independent on Sunday* believed the pieces' "natural habitat is newsprint, and only an Amis-addict would want to read them between hard covers".
Col cms: 184.5

3/5 **Under the table:** Whether or not you will enjoy Gordon Bowker's *Pursued by Furies: A Life of Malcolm Lowry* (HarperCollins, £25) will probably depend on the strength of your constitution. If you happened to be married to him, as Andro Linklater pointed out in *The Times*, your life was not destined to be a bundle of laughs: "It was not simply that he was a terminally constipated, paranoid drunk with a thimble-size penis who rarely changed his socks or earnt any money. What his wives found really intolerable was his determination to absorb them into his dissipated life." Humphrey Carpenter, writing in *The Sunday Times*, was fascinated by the book, particularly by Lowry's capacity for alcohol. "Alcohol made him... It was all justified, one supposes, by his masterpiece [*Under the Volcano*], but Bowker's book does not make one envy Lowry in any way."
Col cms: 187



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Bahá'ís at prayer in Chelmsford, Essex — the community holds its meetings in members' homes

The oneness of Essex man

Ruth Gledhill shares a spiritual feast with members of Bahá'í in Chelmsford



PREJUDICED by jokes about Essex, the last place where I expected to find spiritual sustenance from an exotic religion was Chelmsford. The Bahá'í community's central message of unity was reflected in the make-up of this small meeting, which drew together people from as far afield as Israel, Iran, Malaysia and Mauritius.

The Essex community, not large enough to have its own premises, meets in members' homes. This week, the hosts were Ivor Ellard and his Finnish wife, Anna, a successful businesswoman. The only religious symbolism was a ceramic plate above an arch bearing a calligraphic invocation in Arabic, "Yá Bahá'u'l-Abhá", or "O Glory of the All Glorious".

Bahá'u'lláh, born in Tehran in 1817, founded the Bahá'í faith in the 1860s. Members believe he was the spokesman for "the universal revelation of God promised in all the scriptures of mankind's past", and that his teachings provide "a blueprint for the social organisation of the planet". They believe he is the most recent in a succession of "divine messengers", among whom they include Moses, Buddha and Christ.

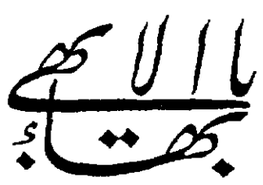
The Essex congregation of about 20 included Allah-Morad Roohizadegan from Iran, whose wife Olya recently published a book about the persecution of Bahá'ís in Iran, where they are the largest religious minority.

We were celebrating the feast of *Mashiyyat*, Persian for "will". A feast is held at the beginning of every Bahá'í month. The Bahá'í calendar has 19 months of 19 days; the remaining four days of the year are "intercalary" days, for celebration and community service.

Our service began with a prayer. "Blessed is the Spot", set to music and played on a discreetly placed sound system. The congregation sat with eyes closed and relaxed into the comfortable sofas and chairs as prayers and readings from Bahá'í literature followed. Prayers were chanted in Farsi, the language of modern Iran, and said in French, English and Esperanto.

"Oh, thou kind Lord, thou hast created all humanity from the same stock, thou hast decreed that all shall belong to the same household," began one. "Today humanity is bowed down with trouble, sorrow and grief. Nobody escapes the world's weight," went another.

The spiritual part ended with a musical invocation in Farsi, and we moved into a "consultation", which began with an address from a member, Angela Tidswell. She set out the "three-year plan", which all Bahá'ís are being urged to adopt, and whose aim is to bring to the attention of the secular community the existence of the faith and the teachings of its founder. Literature from the community sets out their aims, which include the elimination of prejudice, full equality between the sexes, recognition of the "essential oneness" of the world's religions, the elimination of the extremes of poverty and wealth and the establishment of a "world federal system", based on "collective security and the oneness of humanity."



"Yá Bahá'u'l-Abhá"

Bahá'ís claim their faith is among the world's fastest growing religions, with a geographic reach surpassed only by Christianity. There are about 8,000 Bahá'ís in Britain and at least 5.6 million in 232 countries worldwide, compared with about 1,000 in Britain and 300,000 worldwide 30 years ago. Barnabus Leith, a Bahá'í, contributed to BBC Radio 4's *Prayer for the Day* last month.

Every continent has a temple — Europe's is in Frankfurt, Germany. Here a site has been bought by the Thames near Reading, but construction of the intended temple seems decades away. There are regional Bahá'í centres in Liverpool, Manchester and Brighton and a national office in London, as well as a shrine in New Southgate cemetery, north London, the burial place of Shoghi Effendi, who died in 1975, and was the last official "guardian of the faith" in the 1950s. The religion is now administered by a body of nine members, meeting at the world headquarters in Haifa, Israel.

Bahá'ís believe that nine, as the highest single-digit number, symbolises completeness. Temples have nine entrances, and local and national assemblies have nine members.

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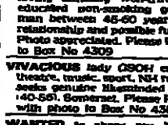
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Young bend TV's ear

The BBC hears children's views

Between now and Christmas, four to 15-year-olds will step up their television viewing to an average of 22 hours a week from 20 in the summer months.

Research shows that children watch most television in the autumn term and that their favourite programme is *Neighbours*, followed by *Gladiators* and *Casualty*. Next in popularity are *How To . . . . The Legend of Prince Valiant* (a cartoon series), *Heartbeat*, *Bananaman* and *Byker Grove*. But listening to 150 eight to 18-year-olds at the BBC's first feedback forum aimed at this age group, it is obvious that their tastes and opinions are wider than the research suggests.

Last Saturday, three BBC programme-makers shared a panel chaired by *Blue Peter* presenter John Leslie at the National Museum of Photography, Film and Television in Bradford, West Yorkshire.

The idea came from the BBC's Viewer and Listener Relations department, which is committed to consultation with licence-payers and audiences. Eileen Mullen, head of the department, decided to arrange direct contact between young viewers and their programme-makers.

About a third of the eight to 12-year-olds said they switch the television on the moment they come home from school; more than half watch the BBC's *Neighbours* or its rival, *Home and Away*. The general consensus was that Saturday television is good but Sunday is "boring", and the best presenters are those who make them laugh.

The teenagers complained of too many repeats, not enough good music, no sitcoms aimed at their age group, and that the BBC has too few "magic" BBC presenters to rival *The Big Breakfast's* Chris Evans on Channel 4.



Children's forum, Bradford

Matthew Clayton-Stead, 12, asked for more programmes aimed at children, the problems they face and some of the unusual activities they enjoy. "I'd like more documentaries," he said. "They could deal with problems that normal children face in their daily life, such as bullying, and not just concentrating on drugs."

Matthew's school friend Martin Stevenson, 12, said he had decided to make a timetable of his television viewing. "When I counted up, it came to 15 hours. I'm trying to cut down." Nathan Randell, 11, was impressed that the panel "wrote down a lot more than I thought they would". He likes to watch wildlife documentaries, sport and action programmes and dreams of the day when there will be a *Junior Gladiators*, with both young contestants and young gladiators.

Danielle Lux, a BBC series producer of youth and entertainment programmes, tried to dispel the image of the BBC as "an impenetrable organisation". She told teenagers that, at 29, she is the oldest member of her team, in which not everyone is a graduate or a "television person". "It's important that we keep a dialogue open with the people we're aiming at," she says. "I was amazed at how sophisticated some of their views were, especially those of the 12-year-olds."

Rebecca Avison, 15, was delighted to have the chance to express her views. "I've never written to the BBC because I thought the letters would go in the bin," she said candidly.

LYNNE GREENWOOD

● *The BBC will next canvass young people's views at the Antiques Roadshow — The Next Generation at the Science Museum in London on Sunday, November 28. (Free tickets from Antiques Roadshow, PO Box 229, Bristol BS99 7JN.)*

Young dancers around the country are limbering up for their West End début. **Jane Bidder** sees the stars in their eyes



JAMES MORGAN

From left: Melissa Gray, Johanna Lockwood and Nicky Williams

Sole children get up on their toes

Some children dream of dancing on the West End stage normally used for *Phantom of the Opera*, in front of celebrities including John Altman from *EastEnders* and Debby McGee, and of being choreographed by Derek Hartley (former teacher of Twiggy).

Next Sunday, this dream will come true for 250 schoolchildren aged between seven and 18, who have been picked by the International Dance Teachers' Association (IDTA) to dance at its Showcase at Her Majesty's Theatre in London. The event will raise money for SOS — the Stars Organisation Supporting Action for People with Cerebral Palsy, chaired by Bob Monkhouse.

Most of the children are at ordinary primary or secondary schools, but also take a mixture of ballet, tap and stage lessons in their spare time at local dance schools, which operate outside school hours. During the past year, pupils at almost 60 such schools have auditioned to take part in the prestigious Showcase, which has room for only 250 dancers (two of whom are boys).

Not surprisingly, excitement is now at fever pitch. Will anyone be talent-spotted by a VIP in the audience? What will it feel like to tread the same boards that *Phantom of the Opera* stars trod only the night before? Will the children have stage fright, or will they relish the thrill of dancing under the bright lights of a mammoth West End theatre?

Johanna Lockwood, 17, Melissa Gray, 14, and Nicky Williams, 13, who attend the Rozelle School of Dancing in Buckinghamshire, have no doubts about the latter. No, they will not lose their nerve. Once they get out there, the lights are so bright that all they will see are reflections bouncing off the glasses of people in the audience. They know, because they did it last year, and will never forget.

"I want to do something to do with the theatre or dancing when I leave school," says Melissa, as she takes a breather from practice. "But even if I don't do it professionally, dancing has already given me fantastic confidence: if you can get up there on stage in front of people, you can do almost anything."

Johanna, who hopes to go to university and dances purely for fun, says: "It's great for posture, too. I'm tall, but dancing has taught me to carry myself well. I have lots of other tall friends who are so embarrassed by their height that they stoop."

The three cannot wait to meet the audience celebrities (all SOS members), including children's television presenters Andy Crane, Philippa Forrester and Simon Parkin, although Melissa is an old hand at starwatching, having already chatted to David Jason at a recent dance event. "It's also nice knowing that mum and dad are out there too, watching me on a London stage," says Johanna.

In Sheffield, eight-year-old Rachel Croke, one of the youngest children in the show, is perfecting her stage dance as the Little Mermaid in a routine involving 12 girls from the Maureen Law Theatre School. "I practise every day in the kitchen so mummy can watch," says Rachel, who began dancing when she was three. Although this will be Rachel's first visit to London, her mother, Beverly Croke, says that she is not too nervous, "because she's so excited about wearing a fishtail and meeting Debby McGee".

Boys have a tough time if they don dancing shoes, as 15-year-old Andrew Hubbard from south Humberside, one of the two boys in the Showcase, has discovered. "I have been teased a lot and called rude names," he says. "That used to upset me, but now I've learnt to brush it off. I'm not a cissy: I've had girlfriends and I play football. And I really hope someone will be out there talent-spotting." Two years ago his school, the Janet Dix Theatre School in Immingham, was a runner-up in the regional finals but did not make it to the Showcase itself. Now he cannot wait finally to reach the elusive West End. "I began dancing when I was four because my elder sister danced and I loved it."

Sadly, when Andrew won a place at a famous London stage school, his widowed mother, Ann Hubbard, was unable to afford the fees.

Indeed, although dancing as a hobby is usually affordable, it is a different matter when it comes to turning professional. Mr Hartley, who has danced with Wayne Sleep, and who will be choreographing a group of unknowns on the day, bemoans the dearth of grants for stage schools. "I am constantly discovering dancers with potential but no money. It's a terrible waste."

One performer at the Showcase who has been lucky enough to train professionally is 12-year-old Francesca Filpi, who has just started at L'Ecole du Ballet de l'Opéra de Paris, where she boards weekly, commuting back to Britain at weekends. Her mother, Liz Filpi, says that the commuting is not very practical. She says: "Francesca comes back tired on Friday night, and by Sunday lunchtime it's time to think about going to the airport."

The arrangement is not cheap: the school costs £1,000 a term, and the flights plus expenses amount to £250 each weekend. But the Filpis, who run the Stoneland School in Dawlish, Devon, thinks it is worth it for a daughter who "danced in her playpen".

Francesca has already won a string of important prizes, including the Margot Fonteyn Incentive Award, the Grand Prix de la Ville de Grasse in France (where she beat professional adults), and the Chausson d'Or in Paris last Easter. "It is quite impressive," says her mother. "But winning isn't everything. Dancing is a marvellous hobby for any child."



Gene Kelly splashes out

GET IN STEP

☐ Tickets for the Showcase, priced £12.50, are available from the International Dance Teachers' Association, 76 Bennett Road, Brighton BN2 5JL (0273 685652).

☐ Details of local dance classes can be obtained from IDTA, the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing, Euston Hall, Birkenhead Street, London WC1H 8BE (071-837 9967), and the Royal Academy of Dancing, 36 Battersea Square, London SW11 3RA (071-223 0091).

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Fun at the factory

An American retailing idea has arrived here

SHOPPERS, like plants, come in different varieties. Some bloom only with peace and quiet, and need careful tending by expert shop assistants. Others flourish even in the harsh climate of the first day of the sales, rising triumphant above the crowds.

Rarely do these two species coincide. But a new factory shopping complex in the Somerset town of Street comes close to introducing them. Clarks Village, developed by shoe-makers C. & J. Clark, may favour the stronger shopper, but leaves space and air for more delicate customers.

Factory shopping, where manufacturers sell off seconds, excess or previous season's stock at discounted prices, is a concept already well developed in America, where purpose-built shopping malls exist solely for factory sales. So far in Britain it has been largely confined to individual manufacturers adding a retail outlet on to their existing factory, although that too has been steadily growing. Gillian Cutress, who co-published the first guide to UK factory outlets eight years ago, reckons there are around 1,000 now, compared to fewer than 100 when she first started.

There are also plans for Britain's first purpose-built complexes, such as at Tobacco Dock, the shopping development in east London bought from the liquidators last year by Middle Eastern property company Bisley. Former jeweller Gerald Ratner has been appointed retail consultant, and the company hopes to open the 120-unit development to the public next spring.

Clarks Village is one of the few complexes with a range of manufacturers. A slab of disused factory space plus some new buildings have produced 22 shops as well as a café, children's playground and picnic area. With the existing shoe museum and a heritage centre due to open early next year, it is part shopping development, part day out for all the family.

Clothing is the principal theme, followed by household crockery and gifts. Women's clothing names such as Laura Ashley, Triumph and Alexon predominate, which means a higher than average sprinkling of men hovering awkwardly outside shop entrances while girlfriends and wives search out the bargains inside.

Presentation is a somewhat confusing mixture of the "pile 'em high, sell 'em cheap" style of the street market, and the more ordered, open shelving of the department store basement.

Be prepared to act differently in different shops. Some have been transplanted from the high street, with proper shop fittings and clothes hung neatly on rails: in others you delve into cardboard boxes stacked 8ft high to find your size and style.



Part of the Clarks shopping village

On a recent visit most people were treating it as a day out, although at least one elderly couple seemed somewhat bemused. "We like all the flowers," the man said doubtfully. "But they ought to print a leaflet explaining it all." A misunderstanding of factory shopping may be Clarks Village's biggest problem. Some shoppers were disappointed by the range of goods on offer, expecting better stocked shelves and a wider range of sizes, but factory shops are by their very nature unpredictable. Such complaints are the result of approaching it with the wrong attitude, says Ms Cutress, who advocates more of a spirit of adventure.

"You have to rummage around in these places," she says. "You never quite know what is going to be there and what will be in stock — it's rather like a mystery tour."

The tenants themselves are enthusiastic. The consumer's urge to find a bargain is particularly strong in a recession, says Jeffrey Ohrenstein, managing director of the children's clothes label JoKids and JoClassics, and manufacturers and retailers have to respond.

"The high street reacted first by going continually on sale," he says. "Then we have the growth of the budget retailer, selling very cheaply. But they still have to pay high street rents — and then the only way to sell cheaper is to make cheaper garments."

So the manufacturer who wants to maintain the quality of his clothes must move outside the town centre, where his overheads are lower and where he can get some return for over-runs and end-of-season goods without jeopardising his high street prices or his brand's reputation. Within the controlled environment of factory shopping, goods are seen as value for money, instead of cheap.

Hence Clarks' insistence on brand names at Clarks Village, and so far the theory has paid off. By ten in the morning it was already crowded. With prices throughout between 30 and 60 per cent cheaper than in the high street, there are undoubted bargains to be had. And by now the summer profusion of visitors will have thinned nicely.

CLARE GASCOIGNE

● *Clarks Village, Street, Somerset. Open seven days a week, 9am-6pm. Entrance is free. Ten* Factory Shop Guides *are available for different regions of the UK from W.H. Smith at around £4 each, or direct from the publishers on 071-622 3722. A guide covering the whole of Britain will be published in October, price £12.95.*

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SPORTING LIFE

Snappy dragon-boating

Alasdair Riley on one of Britain's fastest-growing watersports

PETER SPURRIER



Making a splash on the Serpentine, in London's Hyde Park. Dragon-boat crews have raised more than £400,000 for charity

Mysterious signs are appearing all over the country, reading, "Here be dragon boats". They point towards lakes, reservoirs, rivers, even the open sea, where East meets West in Britain's fastest-growing watersport. With roots going back more than two millennia into Chinese mythology and folklore, the sport was launched here in the 1980s and now attracts more than 10,000 participants every year.

Take a 40ft-long narrow craft, decorated with a colourful dragon's head and tail, man it with 20 paddlers sitting in two rows, a drummer in the prow to beat time, a steerer with a giant oar at the stern, and you have a fully-crewed dragon boat. Unleash two or more crews against each other, paddling furiously at a rate of more than a stroke a second on a 500m course, and you have dragon-boat racing.

"The sport has taken off in a way I could never have imagined," says Maj Mike Haslam, 50, who staged dragon-boat racing as a gimmick when he was director of the 1981 world canoe-racing championships in Nottingham. "I had never seen the sport before, but arranged for three traditional wooden boats, which the Hong Kong government had sent over to the UK the previous year, to take part as a sideshow attraction.

"People tumbled out of pubs and clubs to try it, and before you could say 'all aboard', we had 19 makeshift crews. They couldn't wait to have a go. One of the great things about the sport is that it's easy. The crews might have been fumbling about all over the place in their first race, but by the time a team reached the semi-finals they were old hands, arguing the toss about paddling techniques. The problem for the future of dragon-boat racing here was the lack of boats."

The breakthrough came in the Year of the Tiger, 1986, when the first fibreglass boats, which split into two for easy transportation, were made from a mould provided by the Hong Kong Tourist Association. The following year Maj Haslam helped to form the British Dragon-Boat Racing Association. In 1992, 350 crews competed at 70 meetings around the country. This year, 500 crews have competed in almost 100 events.

"About 75 crews are now hard-core dragon-boat racers," says Maj Haslam. "The rest do it for fun and charity. It's sociable and community-based, so more and more companies are sponsoring boats — and that has helped to raise £400,000 for charity in the past few years. More than £32,000 was raised at Henley in July."

The origins of dragon-boat racing date back to a time of political intrigue in southern China in the 4th century BC. The much-loved poet-statesman Qu Yuan was hounded out of government by jealous ministers who convinced the emperor that he was corrupt. To protest his innocence, he threw himself into the Mi Lo river. Fishermen nearby paddled their boats desperately towards him. When they realised that they had been unsuccessful in saving him, they beat drums and hit the water with their paddles to prevent fish from eating his body. They threw rice dumplings into the river as protection from the dragon god.

Every year thereafter, on the fifth day of the fifth moon in the lunar calendar, local fishermen commemorated the anniversary of his death with temple rituals and dragon-boat racing, a festival which spread through the river and coastal areas of China and as far as Japan and Thailand. As a modern competitive sport, it was established in Hong Kong as an annual festival in 1976 and has since spread to almost 30 countries worldwide.

The association's calendar of events culminates with the national championships in Nottingham today and tomorrow. The winners will be invited to go next year to the international meeting in Hong Kong.

The current British champions, Kingston Royals, have won the UK championships three times since its inception six years ago. The Kingston Royals' chairman, Jock Wishart, says: "We got together a team for the first British championships in 1987 just for fun. We won the bronze medal in Hong Kong in 1989, and we hope to represent Britain in the inaugural world championships in China in 1995."

Thanks to a new sponsor, Kingston Royals have acquired a second £4,500 boat, launched in July, complete with the traditional lion dance ceremony and a Taoist priest "awakening the dragon" by painting in its eyes.

Dragon-boat racing is like eating a Chinese takeaway, really. You have one boat, and not long afterwards you want another.

● *About 60 crews will compete in the BDA national championship finals at the National Watersports Centre, Nottingham, today and tomorrow, 11am-5pm. Free entrance for spectators.*

● *For information on dragon-boat racing, from forming clubs and buying boats to the racing calendar and acquiring sponsorship, contact The British Dragon-Boat Racing Association, 5th Floor, 125 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EA (071-930 2296).*

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The 18th-century seating at dinne

The Georgian age — the reigns of the first four Georges and William IV, from 1714 to 1837 — was a boom time for Britain, with the development of the first large, purpose-built factories, rapid urbanisation, and a dramatic increase in trade at home and abroad, all accompanied by a big increase in population.

The aristocracy and the gentry continued to live in style, joined by an expanding middle class of merchants and men of the professions, but their wealth was being built upon a sub-structure of poverty more extensive than it had been for centuries.

Breakfast in most leisured Georgian homes was a rather informal affair taken any time between 9am and 11am. Generally, it was a light meal of bread and butter, toast, honey, warm rolls, muffins, spiced bread and small cakes of various kinds, with tea, chocolate or coffee.

On a visit to Petworth, Sussex, in 1828, Thomas Creevey went down to breakfast to find "two gentlemen out of livery, and the foot boy with coffee pots, tea pots, kettles, chafing dishes to keep rolls etc. hot, and I was directly asked whether I would like breakfast *then* and *where* I would have it".

The food consumed during breakfast and the behaviour of the participants clearly surprised foreign observers. François de La Rochefoucauld noted in 1784 that "in the houses of the rich you have coffee, chocolate and tea and bread and butter in various forms, and the morning newspapers are on the table . . . so that conversation is not of a lively nature".

In the 1770s, breakfast parties — the ancestors of today's garden parties — became fashionable. Guests were served cold food and strolled in the house and garden, listening to music. At first the parties were given at breakfast time, but they gradually crept into the afternoon. Prince Pückler-Muskau, who toured England in 1826, attended one such party where the food was served at 5pm by servants dressed up as gardeners. There was a maypole, archery and dancing in tents. The party ended at midnight.

Luncheon in the first half of the 18th century was an informal snack, or accidental happening, taken between meals. As the century progressed, lunch developed into a more substantial midday meal, reflecting the tendency for dinner to be taken later and later.

Dinner was the principal vehicle for hospitality as well as the main meal of the day. In the country, it was usually eaten earlier, sometimes still at the traditional hour of noon, but by 1811 the accepted time

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ABOVE

"A Milkmaid" by H. Bunbury, engraved by G. Shepherd, now at Polesden Lacey (National Trust Photographic Library/ Derrick E. Witty).

LEFT

"The Oyster Lunch" by Jean François de Troy (1679-1752), now in the Musée Condé, Chantilly (Giraudon/ Bridgeman Art Library).

FAR LEFT BELOW

Top, microcosm dedicated to the London Water Companies "Monster Soup" commonly called Thames Water, by George Cruikshank (1792-1878) (Bridgeman Art Library).

FAR LEFT BOTTOM

"Elegant Merrymaking" by Pierre Angelis (1685-1734) (Bridgeman Art Library).

BELOW

Italian porcelain Doccia centrepiece from 1775, a condiment stand of mermen bearing shells (National Trust Photographic Library/Mark Fiennes).



Sitting wn to a turtle dinner with the Georgians

oom in good living gave us breakfast parties, promiscuous – and the fork as we know it, says Sara Paston Williams

or it was 7pm. The dining-oom would be heated by a coal ire and lit by candles in orchères, candlestands and andelabra.

Creevey wrote of his visit to etworth: "Dinner was of the irst order, turtle, venison, noor game etc. The servants, oo, very numerous tho' most of hem very advanced in years nd tattered, and comical in heir looks. The wax candles oo were sufficiently numerous o light us all up well, tho' we were at one end of a room 60ft ong . . . "

Guests, in full evening dress, assembled in the drawing-oom or saloon, and after the ootman had announced that 'dinner was upon the table", he important formal progress o the dining-room began. The order in which the guests were dispatched determined their placing at the table, with the women sitting together at one end and the men at the other.

However by 1788 the Rev John Trusler, in his *Honours of the Table*, was mentioning "a new promiscuous mode of eating . . . a gentleman and lady sitting alternately round the table, and this for the better convenience of a lady being attended to, and served by the gentleman next to her".

When guests entered the dining-room, they were met with a dazzling display. The table would be covered with large, brilliantly white cloths which extended down to the floor. The removal of these at the end of the main courses signalled a change in the nature of the dinner: before, the business was eating; after, it was drinking. The cloth often stood in for napkins, which had gone out of fashion with the introduction of the table fork in the previous century.

The fork started the century as two-pronged, but soon acquired its third prong. In 1784 a Frenchman thought English usage of these instruments worthy of lengthy description: "I do not like to prick my mouth or my tongue with these little sharp steel tridents which are generally used in England . . . I know that this kind of fork is only intended for serving and fixing the pieces of meat while they are cut, and that the English knives being very large and rounded at the point, serve the same purpose to which forks in France are applied, that is, to carry food to the mouth . . . In France, when the meat is cut to pieces, the knife is laid down idle on the right side of the plate, while the fork passes from left to right."

As in the previous century formal dinners were divided into two or occasionally three courses, each consisting of a variety of savoury and sweet dishes followed by dessert. The first would comprise soups, boiled meats and fish, small roasts and pies, supplemented with dishes of vegetables, and the occasional sweet pudding. As the first course neared its conclusion, the first "remove" dish was introduced — the most imposing meat or poultry joint, which served as a "conversation piece" to revive interest in the meal.

The second course normally concentrated on roasted meats with various "made" dishes like fricassées and ragouts, fish, fruit pies and custards. Sometimes the dessert was placed in the centre of the table at the same time as the second course. There would be a second "remove" dish if a third course was to be served. This would be even more spectacular than the first, to refresh the flagging palate. If there was no third course the dessert would be served.

In October 1772 Sir James Caldwell dined with Lord Bangor at Castle Ward in co. Down: "There was an excellent dinner, stewed trout at the head, chine of beef at the foot, soup in the middle, a little pie at each side and four trifling things at the corners . . . The second course of nine dishes [was] made out much in the same way."

Because of the varied nature of dishes in each course, wine and beer could be taken in whatever order the guests chose throughout the meal, although it was usual to start with champagne, if on offer. Guests could not drink during dinner without being challenged to do so . . . "Each lady must be solicited to drink wine by a gentleman, who first drinks to her, then to the hostess and the master of the house, and so on, until he has gone through the whole company," wrote one visitor.

Trusler instructed guests to behave properly: "It is exceeding rude to scratch any part of your body, to spit, or blow your nose . . . to lean your elbows on the table, to sit too far from it, to pick your teeth before the dishes are removed."

The finale of any formal dinner was the dessert course. La Rochefoucauld wrote in 1784: "The cloth is removed and you behold the most beautiful table that it is possible to see . . . " The exposed table was then covered with "elegant china baskets" of fresh candied and preserved fruit, "sweetmeat glasses" of dry and wet sweetmeats, "comfits and licorice in fine porcelain or crystal vases" to aid the digestion, small glass and china plates of olives and nuts, and glasses of sparkling jellies, creams, ices and syllabubs.

When the dessert course was over, La Rochefoucauld tells us that "all the servants disappear. The ladies drink a glass or two of wine and . . . all go out together." They retired to the drawing-room for coffee or "tea and scandal", leaving the "heroes to their pleasure": to settle the nation's destiny, toast their mistresses, and drink themselves under the table.

He was also shocked to note that "the sideboard is furnished with a number of chamber pots and it is a common practice to relieve oneself while the rest are drinking; one has no kind of concealment and the practice strikes me as most indecent".

At about 9pm, a servant announced that tea and coffee were ready and conducted the gentlemen from their drinking to join the ladies and the card-tables in the drawing-room.

The finale of the evening, some two or three hours later, seems to have been optional; guests could stay on to enjoy a light supper of cold meats, sweets, fruit and wine, or a choice of light hot dishes . . . or go home.

● *Extracted by Susan MacDonald from* The Art of Dining: A History of Cooking and Eating *by Sara Paston Williams, published by the National Trust on November 4, price £29.95. Available from good bookshops and National Trust shops, or by mail order on 0225 705676.*

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Seven-year restoration itch



Andrew and Ann Bowden

Cheryl Taylor meets a Cambridge couple who took on a labour of love in a Devon cottage



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Seven years ago the Bowdens paid £30,000 for this cottage, in a derelict state — and have spent a further £40,000 on restoring it

Andrew and Ann Bowden, from Harston in Cambridgeshire, bought their second home in deepest rural Devon seven years ago. They paid £30,000 for a derelict 16th-century estate cottage, close to the tiny village of Morebath on the edge of Exmoor, and set about restoring it.

Mr Bowden, who runs a retail dairy in Cambridge, says it is the pace of life in the West Country and the wide open spaces that appeal to the couple: "We both love remote places, walking and fishing, and wanted a second home off the beaten tourist track to use for weekends and holidays. We chose Devon because of the beautiful scenery and the friendly people."

Renovating the 400-year-old agricultural dwelling, which had no mains water or proper sanitation, proved a far more expensive and time-consuming proposition than they had bargained for.

Exposing a huge inglenook fireplace and an old bread oven (hidden behind a 1950s brick fireplace), repairing the roof, replastering walls, replumbing and rewiring, as well as putting in a new kitchen and bath, has cost the couple more than £40,000.

The Bowdens did most of the work themselves, using mostly traditional materials, with lath, lime and hair plaster on the walls, lime wash inside and out, flagstone floors and old oak doors.

A large scrubbing brush and a lot of elbow grease worked wonders for the stone-tiled floor, obscured by generations of dirt, and wire wool and white spirit removed half a century of paint from the woodwork.

When it came to furnishing the cottage, Mrs Bowden discovered second-hand bargains by scouring the local charity shops, car-boot sales and auction houses. Old pine wardrobes, tables and chairs, bought for just a few pounds, have been stripped and polished, and cheap off-cuts of material have been fashioned into pretty curtains and bedspreads.

"It's been a labour of love," says Mr Bowden, "although sometimes we haven't felt like driving 470 miles there and back at the weekend to strip paintwork. But it's been worth the effort, if only to sit outside in the evening and listen to the brook babbling down the valley and the owls hooting."

The Bowden family, including nine-year-old Amelia and Samuel, 13, visit their Devon home every two weeks when it is not let, usually for long weekends. The couple started by letting the cottage to friends when they were unable to use it themselves. Now they let their home for a few weeks each year through a Bournemouth-based cottage holiday specialist, Haywood Amaro.

A high-season week in the Bowdens' four-bedroom cottage costs £430. "We don't make a fortune out of letting, once the housekeeper has been paid and the holiday company takes its share, but it does help to pay for some of the running costs," Mr Bowden says.

The Bowdens plan to retire to their Devon cottage in the future. "We've made as many friends in seven years in Devon as we've made in Cambridge in 30 years. People there seem to have more time to stop and chat."

They employ a local housekeeper, and a man from the village comes in once a week to keep the garden tidy. "Holiday-home owners and their guests make an important contribution to the local economy, spending money in the local shops, pubs and restaurants, as well as on leisure facilities such as riding stables," says Mr Bowden.

But he warns the well-heeled townie contemplating moving to the area that money will count for nothing. "You must wait for acceptance into the village and learn to share the values of the region."

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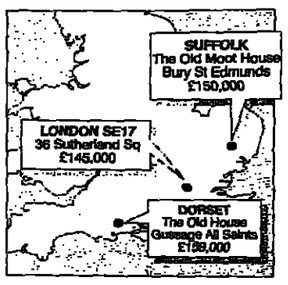
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Suffolk: The Old Moot House, Bury St Edmunds (above). Detached Grade II listed 15th-century village house with attached cottage and gardens, situated in the centre of the village. Five bedrooms, two bathrooms, three reception rooms, study, playroom, kitchen/breakfast room, laundry room and cloakroom. About £150,000 (Bedfords, 0284 769999).





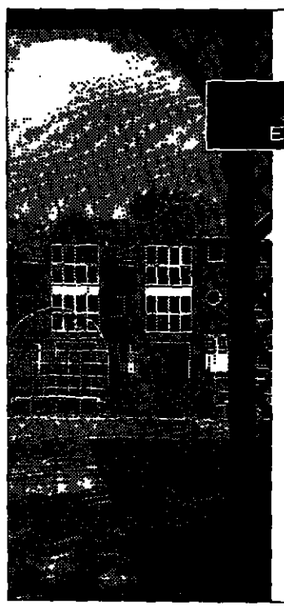
London: 36 Sutherland Square, SE17 (above). Grade II listed end-of-terrace period house, with many original features and a walled rear garden, overlooking a leafy garden square. Four bedrooms, two bathrooms (one en-suite), shower-room, three reception rooms, kitchen and cloakroom. About £145,000 (Winkworth, 071-587 0600).



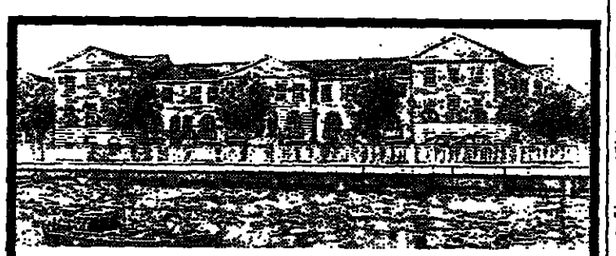
Dorset: The Old House, Gussage All Saints, Wimborne. Detached 19th-century village house in a third of an acre, south of Cranbourne Chase. Three bedrooms, bathroom, two reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, lobby and cellars. Double garage. About £159,000 (Savills, 0202 887331).

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FILMS

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Everyman (071-435 1525) **Metro** (071-437 0757) **MGM Panton Street** (071-930 0631) **Plaza** (071-497 9999)

THE KILLER (18) John Woo's superior crime melodrama of 1989 drenched in blood and tears. Chow Yun-Fat stars as a disaffected hit-man
Prince Charles (071-437 8181)

RAINING STONES (15) Wonderful slice of life on a Catholic council estate. Director Ken Loach blends biting humour and raw pain. Endearing performances from local talent
Camden Plaza (071-485 2443) **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **Odeon Kensington** (0426-914666) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520)

THIS BOY'S LIFE (15) Tyrant stepfather Robert De Niro makes an adolescent's life hell. Uneven version of Tobias Wolff's memoir with Leonard DiCapno and Ellen Barkin. Michael Caton-Jones directs
MGM Haymarket (071-839 1527) **Warner West End** (071-437 4343)

THE YOUNG AMERICANS (18) Harvey Keitel cleans up London's drug racketeers. Puny British thriller covered with US gloss. Director, Danny Cannon
Electric (071-792 2020/0328) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **West End** (0426-915574) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

CURRENT

CAREFUL: Weird and wonderful mountain drama from Canadian eccentric Guy Maddin. With Kyle McCulloch.
ICA (071-930 3647)

THE FUGITIVE (12): Sixties television series roars back to life with Harrison Ford starring. Director, Andrew Davis.
MGMs: Baker Street (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Notting Hill Coronet** (071-727 6705) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332) **Warner** (071-437 4343)

IN THE LINE OF FIRE (15): Secret Service agent Clint Eastwood fights John Malkovich's psychopath. Sturdy thriller, directed by Wolfgang Petersen.
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SLEEPLESS IN SEATTLE (PG): Meg Ryan makes a long-distance play for widower Tom Hanks. Smart but indulgent romantic comedy. Writer-director Nora Ephron.
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FESTIVALS

BIRMINGHAM: The ninth Birmingham International Film and Television Festival features Hollywood plums including *Rising Sun* and *Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story*, but the smaller films taste better, like John Turturro's directing debut *Mac*, the Canadian *I Love a Man in Uniform*, and Michael Haneke's *Benny's Video*
MAC, Cannon Hill Park (021-440 3838).



Siân Williams, choreographer and performer with The Kosh, gets a helping hand in *Klub Anima* (see Theatre)

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE. Tonight, the ultra-violent *True Romance* launches 14 days of celluloid at the 16th Tyneside International Film Festival. Highlights include films from Kieslowski (*Blue*), Beineix (*IP5*) and Claude Miller (*The Accompanist*) plus sections on race relations and religious faith, and six Ealing comedies.
Tyneside Cinema, 10 Pilgrim Street (091-232 8289).

THEATRE

LONDON

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL: Peter Hall's clear production of one of the "problem plays". Sophie Thompson plays the determined husband-hunter.
The Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891) Previews until Mon, 7.15pm; Opens Tues, 7pm; mats Sat and Thurs, 2pm.

CAROUSEL: Tuneful and cleverly set Rodgers and Hammerstein has the familiar mixture of the perceptive and the maudlin.
Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm.

FURTIVE NUDIST/ PIGSPURT/ JAMAIS VU: Today Ken Campbell's one-man trilogy is performed as an all-day event. Later in the week, *Jamais Vu* returns on its own.
National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Sat, 10.30am, 2.30pm, 7.30pm. *Jamais Vu*, Wed, Thurs, 7.30pm; mat Thurs, 3.30pm.

IT'S A GREAT BIG SHAME: New Mike Leigh play, his first originated in England for five years.
Theatre Royal, Gerry Raffles Square, E15 (081-534 0310)

LOOKING THROUGH A GLASS ONION. John Waters stars in his own musical tribute to John Lennon.
Criterion, Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488). Preview from Mon, 8pm. Opens Oct 18, 9pm.

MACHINAL: Fiona Shaw stars in Sophie Treadwell's expressionist drama from 1928.
National Theatre (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). *Previews from today, 7.30pm.*



Diana Rigg is in *Medea* at Wyndham's Theatre

MEDEA: Diana Rigg returns to the West End in Euripides' tragedy of a woman's revenge. Directed by Jonathan Kent and first seen at the Almeida last year.
Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116). Previews from Wed, 8pm. Opens Oct 19, 7.30pm. Then Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Thurs, 3pm *and Sat, 5.30pm.*

PICKWICK: Harry Secombe in a naive but good-hearted musical. A transfer from Chichester.
Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, EC1 (071-278 8916). Gala opening Wed, 7.30pm. Then Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm.

RACING DEMON/ MURMURING JUDGES/ ABSENCE OF WAR: Whatever the objections to David Hare's trilogy, its scope and ambition are scarcely in doubt. And never has the National justified its name more thoroughly: the Hare-Eyre combination has transformed the theatre into a forum where national institutions — the Church, the Law, Her Majesty's Opposition — are being articulately examined
National Theatre (Olivier), South Bank, SE1. (071-928-2252), Sat 10.30am, 2.30pm, 7.30pm. Then *Racing Demon*, Mon-Wed, 7.15pm; mat Wed, 2.00pm.

THERESE RAQUIN: Julia Bardsley *begins the new regime at* the Young Vic with her own version of Zola's sexual thriller. Water drips everywhere as the sign of guilt and grim revenge.
Young Vic, 60 The Cut, SE1 (071-928 6363). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mats Sat 2.30pm and some Weds.

REGIONAL

BRISTOL: The Kosh offers its tenth ever production, *Klub Anima*, a strong and heady mix of theatre, music and dance set in a colourful nightclub
Old Vic, King Street (0272 *250250), opens Thurs, 7.30pm*, press night Fri, 7.30pm, then Mon-Wed, 7.30pm, Thurs-Sat, 8pm until Oct 30.

CARDIFF: Siân Phillips plays *Mrs Alving, tormented on all sides*, in Ibsen's evergreen *Ghosts*. Sean Mathias directs.
Sherman, Senghennydd Road (0222 230451). Preview Wed, 7.30pm. Opens Thurs, 7.30pm. Mon-Sat 7.30pm. Until Oct 30.

MANCHESTER: Geraldine James is the reckless heroine in *Hedda Gabler.*
Royal Exchange, St Ann's Square (061-833 9333). Previews Wed, 7.30pm. Opens Thurs, 7.30pm. Then Mon-Thurs 7.30pm; Fri and Sat 8pm; mats Wed 2.30pm and Sat 4pm. Until Nov 13.

MUSIC

CLASSICAL

NORWICH AND NORFOLK FESTIVAL: Among the week's musical highlights are tomorrow's concert by the Leipzig Chamber Orchestra, which includes the world premiere of a Concerto for Violin and 13 String Instruments by the festival's composer-in-residence, Dmitri Smirnov, as well as music by Mozart, Tchaikovsky and Haydn (St Andrew's Hall, 7.30pm); and Monday's recital by the cellist Steven Isserlis, accompanied by Ian Brown, in which works by Bach, Schubert and Prokofiev frame the world premiere of *Night Demons* by Elena Firsova (Blackfriars Hall, 7.30pm).
Festival Ticket Shop, The Guildhall, Gaol Hill, Norwich (0603 764764). *Most festival venues have disabled access. Call the Ticket Shop for details and bookings.*

AGON NEW MUSIC ENSEMBLE: The South Bank's ambitious and wide-ranging Czech Festival turns its attention to music by composers who refused to follow party orthodoxy during the years of hardline communist rule which followed the Russian invasion of 1968. The Agon Ensemble emerged as leading figures in this musical underground; their British debut concert features music not previously heard in the West
Purcell Room, South Bank, London, SE1 (071-928 8800), Mon, 8pm.

OPERA

THE BARBER OF SEVILLE: Jonathan Miller's lively production of Rossini's comedy returns to ENO, restaged by John Abulafia and Henry B. Little. Alan Opie sings Figaro, Louise Winter, Rosina; Andrew Shore is Dr Bartolo. James Holmes conducts.
Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London, WC2 (071-836 3161), Wed, 7.30pm.

MITRIDATE: Many of the original cast return for this revival of Graham Vick's powerful and stylish production, among them Lillian Watson, Ann Murray, Jochen Kowalski and Bruce Ford. They are joined by Luba Organosova, making her house debut. Paul Daniel conducts.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London, WC2 (071-240 1066/1911), Fri, 7pm.

WEXFORD: Tchaikovsky's *Cherevichki* (a revision of *Vakula the Smith*) opens the festival on Thursday; it is followed on Friday by *The Barber of Seville* — not Rossini's but a setting by Paisiello dating from over 30 years earlier: and on Saturday by *Zampa*, a tale of piracy and jealousy by the French Romantic Hérold. Performances begin at 8pm.
Wexford Festival, Theatre Royal, High Street, Wexford, Ireland (010 353 53 22144).

JAZZ

DUNOON JAZZ FESTIVAL: This picturesquely located festival features 60 diverse acts including riveting American saxophonist Spike Robinson, suave trombonist George Masso and singer, Suzanne Bonnar.
Dunoon Jazz Festival (0369 3785), from Fri, 8pm to next Sun, midnight.

RAY BRYANT: This inventive American pianist has incorporated elements of blues and gospel into his essentially mainstream approach.
PizzaExpress, London, W1 (071-437 9595), Wed and Fri, 7.45pm.

ROCK

M PEOPLE: A tour from the successful new dance band, responsible for hits such as "One Night in Heaven".
Newcastle, University (091-232 8402), today, 8pm. **Glasgow**, Plaza (031-557 6969), *tomorrow*, 7pm. **Aberdeen**, Bonkers (0224 581135), Mon, 7pm. **Leeds**, Metropolitan University (0532 442999), Tues, 8pm. **Sheffield**, University (0742 753300), Thurs, 7.30pm. **Hull**, *University* (0482 466264), Fri, 7.30pm.

HONEYBOY EDWARDS: The engaging Delta blues guitarist returns to this intimate venue.
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TEENAGE FANCLUB: The Glaswegian band with a penchant for Sixties guitar-based pop harmonies, go on tour to promote their latest album, *Thirteen.*
Birmingham, Institute (021-643 7788), Wed, 7.30pm. **Leicester**, University (0533 556282), Thurs, *8pm. Cardiff, University* (*info* 0222 396421, bookings 0222 230130), Fri, 7.30pm.

PENGUIN CAFE ORCHESTRA: Experimental yet *accessible, Simon Jeffes's* eccentric outfit has just released a new album, *Union Café.*
Festival Hall (071-928 8800), Fri, 7.30pm.

NEW VIDEOS

LES ENFANTS DU PARADIS (Artificial Eye, PG). Marcel Carne and Jacques Prévert's classic, a *thrilling blend of 19th-century* stage history, escapist fantasy and romance. With Arletty, Jean-Louis Barrault and Pierre Brasseur. 1945

THE LONG DAY CLOSES (Curzon Video, PG). Terence Davies' powerful evocation of a Liverpool childhood's lost paradise, featuring young Leigh McCormack, Marjorie Yates and a wonderful aural collage of 1950s Britain. 1992

THE MUSIC TEACHER (Mainline, Ut: Prettily mounted, genteel Belgian tale of a retired opera singer (José Van Dam) training two new apprentices. Director, Gérard Corbiau. 1988

THE TRIAL (Art House, PG) Kafka according to Orson Welles. Visually, a thunderbolt of a film, the camera jumping and prowling around Zagreb streets and an impromptu studio built in a disused train station. With Anthony Perkins as Joseph K., trapped in impenetrable bureaucracy. 1962.

DANCE

DANCE UMBRELLA: This is the big one, a month-long celebration of contemporary dance from Europe and America. The festival opens at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on Tuesday with the Batsheva Company from Israel, its first UK performances since 1987. Later in the week, come the American duo of Dana Reitz and Sara Rudner (at the Riverside Studios on Fri and next Sat), who will be exploring the relationship between light and movement with the help of leading lighting designer Jennifer Tipton.
Dance Umbrella (festival enquiries 081-741 4040).

DV8 PHYSICAL THEATRE. The much-awaited British premiere of Lloyd Newson's new work, *MSM*, a dance-theatre piece that returns the choreographer to his early theme of male sexuality. MSM is a sociological term referring to men who have sex with other men in public lavatories. Hardly surprising then that all the dancers are male.
Nottingham Playhouse (0602 419419), Tues-next Sat, 7.30pm.

RAMBERT DANCE COMPANY. Mark Baldwin's latest work for Rambert, *Spirit*, receives its premiere. Set to two sonatas by Poulenc, *Spirit* is billed as a work of contrasts: "light-hearted yet poignant, colourful yet *uncluttered". The same programme* also includes the first performance by Rambert dancers of Christopher Bruce's *Land*, a work that blends classical and contemporary technique in a haunting and emotional piece.
Royal Northern College of Music, 124 Oxford Road, Manchester (061-273 4504), Wed, 7.45pm.

EXHIBITIONS

LONDON

RENAISSANCE FLORENCE: The age of Lorenzo de 'Medici, called the Magnificent, is grandly evoked in a show which seeks to distil the essence of Florence in the latter half of the 15th century through important paintings, *Medici family documents*, reconstructions of the garden of San Marco, where Michelangelo was given his first chances as a sculptor, and the contents of a private treasure house of the time. Pictured on this page is *The Madonna of the Sea* by Sandro Botticelli.
Accademia Italiana, 24 Rutland Gate, SW7 (071-225 3474). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.30pm (Wed to 8pm), Sun, midday-5.30pm, opens Thurs to Jan 23.

BEN NICHOLSON. Next year is the centenary of Ben Nicholson's birth. Consideration of his place *in 20th-century British, or indeed* world, art has languished somewhat since his death in 1982, but this comprehensive show, taking him from representation to abstraction and back again *should help the debate resume.*
Tate Gallery, Millbank, SW1 (071-887 8008). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.50pm, Sun, 2-5.50pm, opens Wed to Jan 9.

LAPADA: Otherwise the London and Provincial Antique Dealers' Association. This year's third show is expected to feature 65 exhibitors showing paintings and sculpture as well as silver, jewellery, textiles, ceramics, furniture and other artifacts. The distinctive theme is "the human form in art".
Royal College of Art, Kensington Gore, SW7 (071-823 3511). Tues-Fri, 11am-8pm, Sat-Sun, 11am-6pm, opens Tues to Oct 17.

THOMAS EAKINS: A towering figure in American art, Eakins (1844-1916) is little known in Europe and has never before been given a one-man show outside America. This show concentrates on his powerful portraiture.
National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place, WC2 (071-306 0055). Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2-6pm, until Jan 23.

ALPHONSE MUCHA/BILL BRANDT: Unlikely coupling of the great Czech-French Art Nouveau poster designer and the great German-British photographer. *Both are given major* retrospectives.
Barbican Art Gallery, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 4141). Mon, Weds-Sat, 10am-6.45pm, Tues, 10am-5.45pm, Sun, midday-6.45pm, until Dec 12.

REGIONAL

CANALETTO AND ENGLAND: Canaletto worked extensively in Italy for British patrons, and also spent nine years in this country between 1746 and 1755. This large show of paintings and drawings concentrates on these British connections. It also *inaugurates the Gas Hall*, a recently acquired annex to the City Museum and Art Gallery.
Gas Hall, Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Square, Birmingham (021-235 1966). Daily, 10am-6pm (last admission 5.30pm), opens Thurs to Jan 9.

IVAN BILIBIN: A one-man show for this turn-of-the-century Russian illustrator whose fantastic style was applied to more than children's books: he was much involved in Russia's equivalent of the Arts-and-Crafts movement
University of Brighton Gallery, Grand Parade, Brighton (0273 643012) Mon-Fri, 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 2-5pm, until Oct 28



Renaissance Florence: a work by Sandro Botticelli

BOOKINGS

JASON REBELLO The acclaimed jazz pianist, having recently moved record labels to the mainstream RCA, has announced an autumn tour prior to recording his third album.
Southend, The Blue Note Jazz Club (0702 355166), Oct 20. **Manchester**, Band on the Wall (061-832 0183), Oct 21. **Middlesex**, Watermans (081-*568 1176), Oct 22. London*, The Brewery (0800 401401), Oct 26 and the Jazz Cafe (071-916 6000), Nov 9. **Bath**, Moles (0225-333448), Oct 27. **Cardiff**, Club Horbach (0222 232199), Oct 28 (tickets only available at the door).

JESSYE NORMAN: A welcome opportunity to hear the renowned American soprano in recital.
Festival Hall, South Bank, *London*, SE1 (071-928 8800), Nov 14. Postal, telephone/personal bookings open now.

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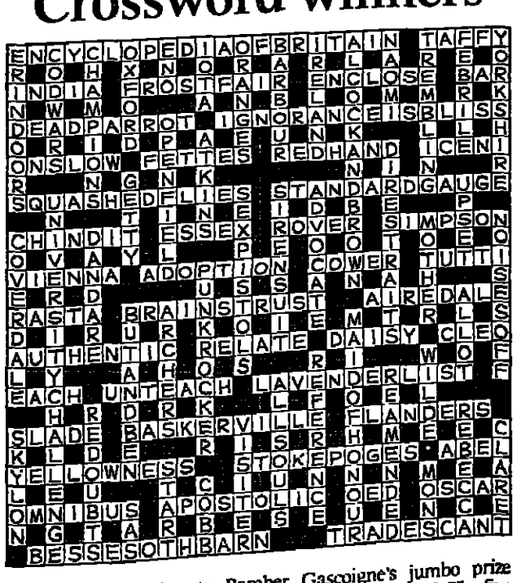
VERNAGE
(c) A strong and sweet kind of white Italian wine. From the Italian *vernaccia*. Florio, 1598: "A kind of strong wine like malmesie or muskadine, or bastard wine." 1390, Gower: "In stede of drinke i underfonge/ A thoght so swete in mi corage./ That nevere Pyment ne vernage/ Was half so swete forto drinke."

YOUNKERKIN
(a) A little Younker, a young nobleman or gentleman, a youth of high rank, originally Dutch or German, adapted from the Middle Dutch *jonckher*.

PREGNADA
(a) A variety of lemon, from the Spanish *preñada* big with child, *Cook's Voyage*, 1790: "Another botanical curiosity, *mentioned by* him is what they call Pregnada, or impregnated lemon. It is a perfect and distinct lemon, inclosed within another."

RUMPER
(c) A member or supporter of the Rump Parliament, 1660, Pepys *Diary* 7 March: "There was *all the Rumpers* almost come to the House to-day." Swift: "Blasphemy, or Free-Thinking was after the Restoration carried to Whitehall by the converted Rumpers."

Crossword winners



Here is the solution to Bamber Gascoigne's jumbo prize crossword puzzle published on Saturday September 18. The five winners are S.E. Holmes of Moseley, Birmingham; Mrs Marjorie Scurr of Pickering, North Yorks; J.D. Kerruish of Swadlincote, Derbyshire; Mrs R.M. Brown of Albrighton, Wolverhampton; and W.F. Goodman of Uxbridge, Middlesex.

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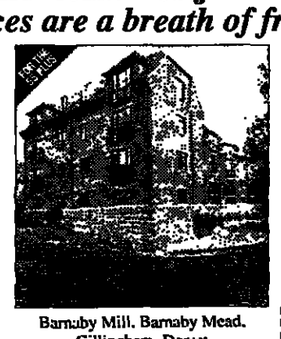
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Claudio Abbado in rehearsal: he abhors dictatorial tactics and will never shout at players, preferring his hands and eyes to convey his meaning

When he was a small boy in wartime Milan, Claudio Abbado watched his mother being thrown into prison by the Nazis for giving food and shelter to a Jewish child. Amateur psychologists seize on such episodes, especially when trying to unravel a personality and a career as mysterious as Abbado's.

Mysterious? Well, you decide. Here is one of the supreme princes of modern European culture: a figure who exudes tremendous glamour. He has won many of the great prizes of the musical world — the directorships of La Scala Milan, the Berlin Philharmonic, the Vienna State Opera, the London Symphony Orchestra — and probably turned down the others.

Yet he seems the very antithesis of the domineering, egotistical careerist that successful conductors are supposed to become. He is repelled by the wheeling and dealing of the music business, and never lobbies for appointments. He also abhors dictatorial tactics (is that the childhood trauma manifesting itself?), and will never shout at players. Indeed, he will not speak much at all in rehearsal if he can convey what he wants with his hands and his eyes. And that is the essence of great conducting.

So the mystery is that he has climbed to the highest pinnacles without exhibiting the kind of ruthlessness one might expect in such an upwardly mobile figure. Cynics are confounded by Abbado's success — and especially by his succession to Karajan's throne in Berlin, which was a job furiously coveted by every top conductor — because it signals that a musician does not have to sacrifice his ideals to reach his goals.

And if Abbado has any kind of Italian temperament at all, he exhibits it only in his passion for ideals. As a young conductor at La Scala in the late Sixties, idealism meant organising concerts for factory workers, and cajoling the management into lowering ticket prices for young people.

Later, he established the European Community Youth Orchestra — still the EC's only worthwhile cultural achievement. Later still, he realised that gifted eastern European children were missing out on the ECYO, so he founded the parallel Gustav Mahler Jugendorchester. By the turn of the century there will not be a professional European orchestra, from Lisbon to Vladivostok, that does not include graduates from one of those two ensembles. Abbado's inspiration will be felt long after he has gone.

And because he is a charismatic figure, orchestras and audiences trust him to lead them on adventures. We saw that when he was with the London Symphony Orchestra: his "Mahler, Vienna and the 20th Century" festival at the Barbican in 1985 set a pattern for "thematic" concert programming that exists to this day. In Vienna, he broke through the city's stultifying conservatism to found the "Wien Modern" festival. Now the Berlin Philharmonic is being taken down avenues it never even knew existed under Karajan's iron rule.

Abbado's idealism permeates his music-making too. Mild-mannered or not, he has a stubborn perfectionism: his rehearsals can get very static if the sound in his imagination is not exactly matched by reality.

And his interpretations exude sophistication and insight without ever imposing an alien meaning on the composer's notes. In this, his music-making harks back to Toscanini. The shining clarity of an Abbado performance can seem like a door being opened on a new world.

All of which makes him sound very cool and collected, which is only part of the truth. The most impassioned — perhaps even the best — performance of *Carmen* I have ever heard was conducted by Abbado, at the Edinburgh Festival in 1977. In the cramped King's Theatre, he brought the diverse talents of Teresa Berganza, Placido Domingo and the London Symphony Orchestra into thrilling conjunction. Nothing cool that night. But equally, Abbado conducting a quiet passage of Debussy can almost become a mystical experience, so intense a sense of spiritual communion does he project.

The four discs chosen here reflect very different facets of Abbado's craft, but they all have this in common: you won't hear a single phrase that has not been deeply considered and superbly polished. This is state-of-the-art music-making.

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Dido, Queen of Carthage
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WHO are those sweaty, sybaritic figures in black leather? Tough-guy gays on their way to an Earls Court pub, or bikers preparing for a rumble on the M1? Neither, actually. The man giving his wife's bangles to a camp, pettish boy is Jupiter rewarding Ganymede for being Ganymede. The girls circling each other as if for a catfight may be identified by the names in white piping on their backs: Juno and Venus. And who should appear when Jupiter calls "Hermes, awake and haste to Neptune's cell"? A burly hulk, naked but for his plastic cap and shiny black hot-pants.

There were moments, especially at the start of Michael Walling's production, when everybody in the audience must have boggled. If you are going to revive Marlowe's most neglected play, maybe for the first time since 1594, is this really the way to do it? Aren't such excesses best left to the English Shakespeare Company or German avant-garde directors? But as the evening proceeded, and anonymous robes seemed increasingly to be shrouding the characters' bodies, I found myself getting more forgiving.

After all, Marlowe treats the gods pretty cynically, and is mostly friendly to the humans they manipulate. The episode in which a smirking Cupid jabs Julie Saunders's Dido in the bum with his arrow, thus forcing her to love the unsuitable Aeneas, may smack of directorial *lèse-majesté*; but it sums up the celestial callousness. And both she and Kevin Costello's sturdy Aeneas do garner some sympathy.

Not that anybody could make too many claims for Dido itself. Marlowe's characterisation is cursory, and his verse is often iambic de-dum, de-dum. Most commentators regard the play as an apprentice work. Some think that Shakespeare parodied it in the speech in which the Player King, asked by Hamlet to repeat "Aeneas's tale to Dido", blurts out a wordy description of Pyrrhus's murder of Priam.

Yet those last two slurs do not altogether impress me. After all, the First Player's speech has a primitive power. And Marlowe died so young that even an immature play can be only a few years short of being a mature one. For all its oddities, there are times in Walling's production when we hear a distinctive voice:

I'll make me bracelets of his golden hair;
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MOZART'S Requiem, along with music from his *Magic Flute* — not to mention the presence of a royal patron — can do wonders in filling a hall. Wednesday night's event at the Barbican, however — a Royal Philharmonic Society concert given by the City of London Sinfonia with the London Symphony Chorus, no less — imaginatively added a group of choral pieces by Holst that provided a welcome stylistic contrast while preserving a unanimity of mood.

Reservations about the massed ranks of the chorus in the Requiem seemed initially to be reinforced by James Judd's handling of the opening movements. The first movement, Requiem Aeternae, with its sturdy tread and reverential phrasing, came perilously close to sanctimony — an ever-present threat in this most symbolically charged of Mozart's works. The fearsome unleashing of the Dies Irae also seemed to hark back to old-fashioned Romantic notions of the piece.

But before long, one was won over by a number of factors. First, there was the excellent delivery of the choir, agile and incisive in the polyphonic passages, and clearly thoroughly prepared. Second, there was the evident conviction of Judd's reading: the tender supplication of "Salva me" (in the Rex Tremendae) and the plangent Lacrimosa alike benefiting from scrupulously sculpted phrasing. Finally there were the contributions from the first-rate team of soloists: Judith Howarth, Ruby Philogene, John Mark Ainsley and Alastair Miles, all stylish, but Howarth's musicianly soprano line especially touching.

With the CLS also on good form, it all added up to an absorbing and wholly praiseworthy account of the work. The same may be said of the numbers from the *Magic Flute*, one aria for each of three of the soloists, together with the overture and finale.

A less portentous approach to mortality than the Requiem is evident in Holst's *Ode to Death*, a sympathetic setting of verses by Walt Whitman. Just as Whitman welcomes "the sure enwinding arms of cool-enfolding death", so Holst, in an orgy of sensuous harmonies, makes the prospect seem a good deal more tempting than the Roman Catholic version. Both the Ode and a group of choruses and partsongs (interspersing medieval lyrics arranged for male voices with less austere settings of Robert Bridges for female) were given with ardour and technical assurance by the chorus under the expert direction of Stephen Westrop.

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Crichton — the Jurassic spark

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In step with Mandela

DANCE



Kenneth Tharp in *Waiting* by Christopher Bruce

CHRISTOPHER BRUCE'S *Waiting*, premiered at Nottingham on Wednesday, is his first creation in Britain for more than three years and his first ever for **London Contemporary Dance Theatre**. The work lives up to the occasion. It is a deep, moving study of ambiguous and contradictory feelings about recent events in South Africa, taking as its starting point the piece of music, *In Our Lifetime*, which Errollyn Wallen wrote to celebrate Nelson Mandela's release from prison.

The composer has expanded her score with a long preamble of drumming devised by her and Simon Limbrick, whose onstage percussion is supplemented by the dancers' frequently banging sticks against the fences and corrugated walls that make up Marian Bruce's setting. The dancing begins with two youngsters in playful rivalry; but what they are playing with are rubber tyres, and anyone missing the point of that soon has it brought home by Kenneth Tharp's terrified solo when someone drops a tyre over his head like a necklace.

These changes of mood continue throughout, but with a catalytic climax when a door suddenly opens in the back wall to reveal a dignified man in a grey suit, white shirt and tie. This representation of Mandela is played by Kwame Kwei-Armah, who is also the sweet-voiced solo singer (with three other voices on tape). His role is mostly static, but at the end he is moving steadily forward, gently but firmly pushing aside the barriers held in front of him, while darkness descends.

So gripping is the content and significance of the piece that, in immediate retrospect, I find myself hardly able to recall or describe the movement apart from its meaning. What does spring vividly to mind is the delicate shading with which, for instance, a figure lifted up as if for burial is succeeded by another raised in triumph. That, and the utter sincerity of the production and the performance by a cast in which Tharp and Sheron Wray are first among equals.

On the same bill was another premiere, a long solo (14 minutes) by Richard Alston for Darshan Singh Bhuller, which takes its title, *The Perilous Night*, from John Cage's 1943 composition for prepared piano, played by Nicholas Mojsiejenko. This fascinating piece of music is likely to be much more familiar to dance audiences than concert goers, since it also accompanies Van Manen's duet *Twilight*.

Whereas Van Manen imposed a strong sexual tension on the piece, Alston contents himself with suggesting the edgy unease of a restless night which he hears in the music. Dressed in colourful striped trousers, white singlet and dark glasses, Bhuller darts forward in alarm or turns suspiciously back in his tracks. The tension is maintained with gentle spurts of pressure — a demanding assignment perfectly brought off by dancer and pianist.

These two excellent but sombre new works are well placed between two more frivolous ones: Aletta Collins's *Jokey Shoes* (now fitted out with a jazzy live version for nine musicians of its previously synthesized score by Steve Martland), and Bruce's ballet, *Rooster*. The programme shows LCDT in good heart and fine form: the best possible argument for the Arts Council to stand firm by its belated decision to give dance a long overdue financial boost.

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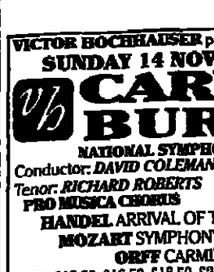
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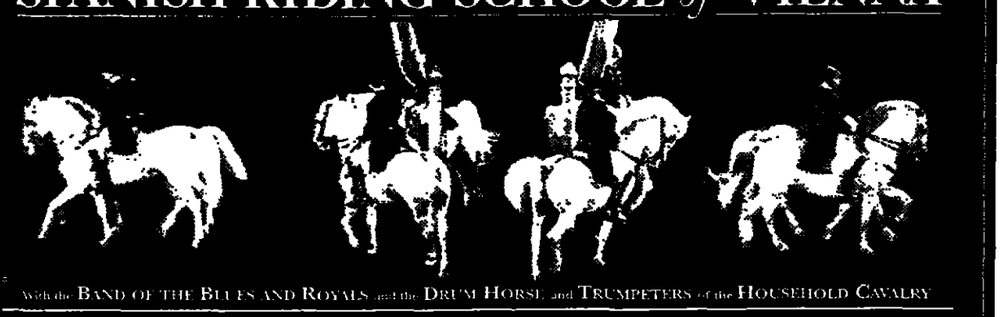


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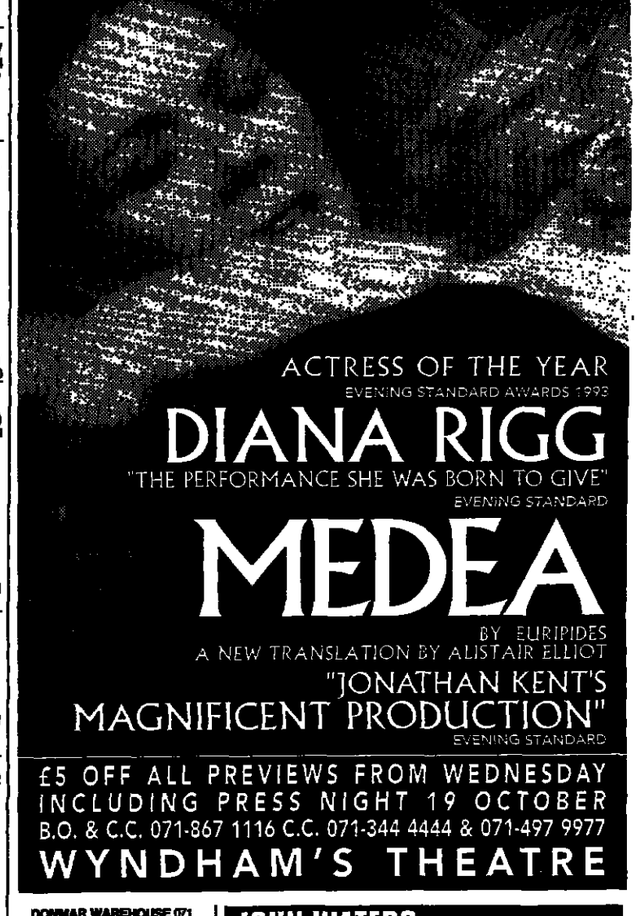
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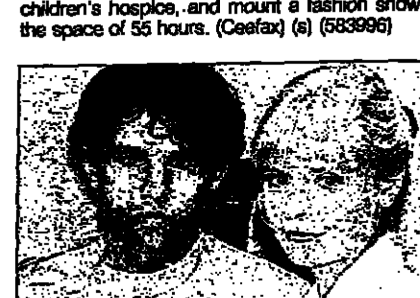


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7.00 Lassie. Animation (6669625)
7.25 News and weather (7539335) **7.30 Working Together.** Nature series about man's working relationship with animals (s) (8172967) **7.40 Felix the Cat.** Cartoon adventures (8277511)
7.55 Peter Pan and the Pirates (r). (Ceefax) (s) (6676408) **8.15 Marlene Marlowe Investigates** (s) (2103644) **8.35 Tom and Jerry** (r) (1961625)
9.00 Live and Kicking. Children's entertainment magazine (s) (98200064) **12.12 Weather** (2438847)
12.15 Grandstand. Steve Rider introduces the 35th birthday edition. The line-up is (subject to alteration): **12.20** Football Focus; **1.00** News; **1.05** Boxing: the super-middleweight bout between Henry Wharton and Darrin Allen; **1.30** and **2.05** Judo: the world championships from Hamilton, Ontario; **1.55, 2.25** and **2.55** Racing from Ascot; **2.35** Motor Racing: a review of the British Formula 3 season; **3.10** Gymnastics: the Birmingham Classic from the National Indoor Arena, Birmingham; **4.40** Final Score. 12.15-3.15 (15355557) 3.15-5.15 (981151). **Northern Ireland:** 2.35 International Short Circuit Motor Cycling 4.55 Northern Ireland Results
5.15 News (Ceefax) and weather (2173644)
5.25 Regional News and sport (4407460). **Wales** (to 6.05) Wales on Saturday
5.30 Dad's Army. Classic comedy with Captain Mainwaring and his Home Guard platoon (r). (Ceefax) (473625)
6.05 Happy Families. Game show hosted by Andrew O'Connor and Sarah Greene. (Ceefax) (s) (849644)
6.50 Big Break presented by Jim Davidson with John Virgo. The snooker stars are Steve Lemmens, the Belgian champion, Peter Ebdon and Alan McManus. (Ceefax) (s) (145489)
7.20 Challenge Anneka. Anneka Rice accepts a challenge from the Cope Children's Trust Rainbow Appeal to create a range of children's and mothers's clothes, to be sold to raise money for a children's hospice, and mount a fashion show, in the space of 55 hours. (Ceefax) (s) (583996)

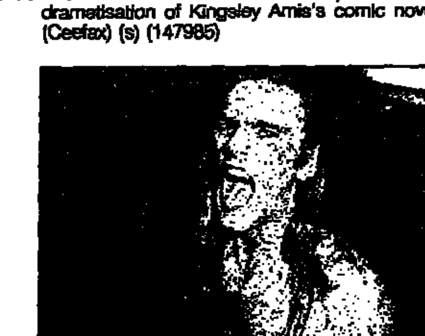


Testing time for Guard, Edmonds (8.10pm)

8.10 Casualty. Clinical nurse Kenneth Hodge (Christopher Guard) has his performance monitored, while newcomer Helen Chatsworth (Samantha Edmonds) learns the ropes from Charlie Fairhead (Derek Thompson). (Ceefax) (s) (781002)
9.00 Harry. Episode four of the 12-part drama starring Michael Elphick as a one-time Fleet Street hack, this week getting the jump on his old colleagues when a former army officer is murdered on his Midlands patch. (Ceefax) (s) (791575)
9.50 News. (Ceefax) Sport and weather (543248)
10.10 Film: The Woman in Red (1984) starring Gene Wilder and Kelly LeBrock. Comedy about a happily married, middle-aged man who becomes infatuated with a woman he glimpses, dressed in red. Directed by Gene Wilder. (Ceefax) (1646967)
11.35 Danny Baker After All. Celebrity chat (s) (676248)
12.25am Film: Who? (1974) starring Elliott Gould and Trevor Howard. Science fiction espionage thriller about a man handed over to the Americans by the Russians at a Berlin checkpoint, claiming that he is a missing top physicist who has had his face reconstructed after a motor crash. Directed by Jack Gold (3537497) **1.50 Weather** (1593768)

BBC2

8.15 Open University (26794793)
9.55 Macgregor's Scotland. The first of a four-part series in which Jimmie Macgregor walks from Portknockie to Ben Avon (r) (7694287)
10.25 Dhoop Kinarey. A new Pakistani drama serial. In Urdu with English subtitles (1375825)
11.05 Network East. The first of a new series of the Asian arts and entertainment programme (s) (1836064)
11.35 Chanakya. A new historical drama, in Urdu with English subtitles (5571373)
12.15 Film: Gone to Earth (1950). The first of a season of double bills by celebrated directors. Jennifer Jones stars in this Powell and Pressburger romantic drama about an innocent country girl, interested only in her pet fox, who is lusted after by the local squire (415712)
2.00 Civilisation: The Skin of Our Teeth. A repeat of the 13-part arts documentary series by Kenneth Clark, first shown in 1969. This opening programme covers the period of the Dark Ages. (Ceefax) (84644)
3.00 Film: The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp (1943) starring Roger Livesey and Deborah Kerr. The second of the Powell/Pressburger double bill is a satirical ward drama in the form of a veteran looking over his life from the Boer war to the second world war (29438267)
5.40 Chasing the Light. A behind-the-scenes look at the making of Kenneth Branagh's film *Much Ado About Nothing* (197441)
6.10 Late Again. Highlights from the week's *The Late Show* (453996)
6.55 DJ Heaven. Classic clips from *Top of the Pops*, this week featuring Tony Blackburn (135002)
7.25 News with Jennie Bond (Ceefax). Sport and weather (991915)
7.40 World Chess Championship. An update (s) (243880)
8.10 Poems on the Box: Re-Verse. See Choice (340165)
8.50 The Biddy Baxter Story. The legendary, long-time (27 years) editor of *Blue Peter* talks to Sarah Dunant (156335)
9.00 Nina Simone – The Legend. See Choice (591557)
9.50 The Old Devils. The final episode of the dramatisation of Kingsley Amis's comic novel (r). (Ceefax) (s) (147985)



Robbie Brookside steps into the ring (10.50pm)

10.50 Video Diaries: Blood, Sweat and Cheers. The thoughts of wrestler Robbie Brookside (277606)
11.50 Film: The Caretaker (1964, b/w) starring Donald Pleasence, Alan Bates and Robert Shaw. The *Hollywood UK* season concludes with this Harold Pinter drama about two eccentric brothers who are joined by a tramp. Directed by Clive Donner. (Ceefax) (276581). Ends at **1.45am**

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Poems on the Box: Re-Verse
BBC2, 8.10pm

Kicking off a welcome week of poetry, *Re-Verse* is an enjoyable trawl through the archives featuring footage of poets ranging from an owlish T.S. Eliot to Robert Graves counting up multiple drafts of a single poem. Adding a contemporary commentary are poets Roger McGough (also shown with hair and dark glasses in an extract from the 1960s), Peter Porter, Wendy Cope, John Agard and Fleur Adcock. Throughout the week on BBC2 there will be *Poets' News* and, best of all, some straightforward poetry readings. These will crop up randomly between programmes, offering the same kind of unexpected joys as Poems on the Underground.

God: For and Against. The Problem of Evil
Channel 4, 7.00pm

In the first of two religious debates from Oxford University, the writer and former nun Karen Armstrong argues for the proposition: "There is evil therefore there cannot be God." She is opposed by the mild-mannered Father Herbert McCabe, but the row really hots up when it is opened up to the floor. Professor of Philosophy, Richard Swinburne enrages everyone by talking about the "usefulness" of evil in bringing out man's heroism, while Dr Peter Atkins, a lecturer in physical chemistry, says he should "rot in hell" for his remarks. Next week sees Swinburne and Atkins taking centre stage for a debate on the theme: Creation or Evolution?

Nina Simone: The Legend
BBC2, 9.00pm

With its portentous present-tense narration and jerky chapter headings, this is a slightly clumsy biography of a jazz great. The content however is fascinating. Always one to speak her mind, the singer and pianist explains that during the black civil rights movement she would have picked up a gun if her husband had let her. We also see her in quieter moments, breaking down when remembering her father, or musing: "I don't know what life is supposed to be any more". These are candid outbursts, but more powerful than any of them is the emotional music which figures strongly in the film.



Eddington and Kendal are ill-suited (C4, 9.00pm)

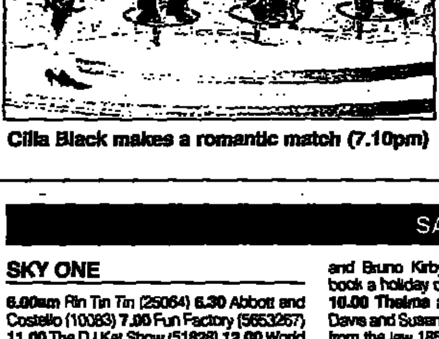
The Camomile Lawn
Channel 4, 9.00pm

Not the most subtle adaptation of Mary Wesley's work, *The Camomile Lawn* nevertheless proved amusing entertainment when it was first broadcast in spring 1992. Crammed full of nudity, the series boasts a pot-boiler mixture of upper-class social satire, sexual intrigue and wartime trauma. The larger than life characters are five cousins whose fortunes are followed over a period of 40 years starting from 1939. The dialogue creaks at times and the plot is inevitably condensed, but there are compensations in the shape of Felicity Kendal and Paul Eddington as the ill-matched Helena and Richard, and Jennifer Ehle as the languid Calypso.

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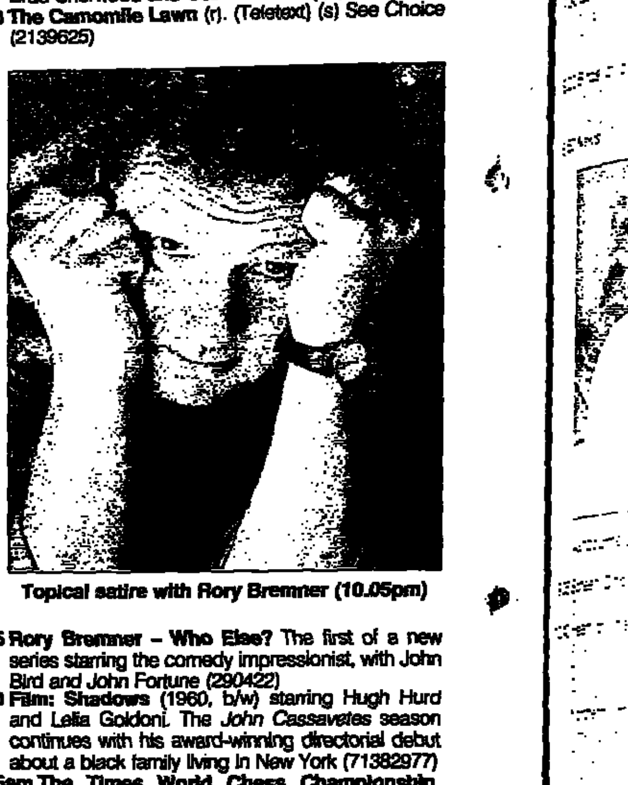
6.00 GMTV (6925002)
9.25 What's Up Doc? (16063828)
11.30 ITV Chart Show. The *Video Vault* features Police with their 1979 hit "Message in a Bottle" (s) (82267)
12.30 Speakeasy. The youngsters' problem page series this week includes boxer Chris Eubank talking about what made him the mean man he is today (15441)
1.00 News with Nicholas Owen. Weather (50334101) **1.05 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (51784642)
1.10 Movies, Games and Videos. Film, video and computer game reviews (32728267)
1.40 Film: Hannibal Brooks (1968). Second world war comedy drama starring Oliver Reed as a PoW in Germany, working in a local zoo, who escapes with his charge an elephant when bombed by the Allies, and makes the trek to freedom over the Alps. Directed by Michael Winner (50821441)
3.30 WCW Worldwide Wrestling (2084625)
4.15 Cartoon Time (3907151)
4.40 News with Nicholas Owen (Teletext), sport and weather (2505267)
5.00 London Today (Teletext), sport and weather (1893644)
5.15 New Baywatch. Adventures of a group of Los Angeles beach life guards. (Teletext) (s) (7143793)
6.10 Gladiators. Four more intrepid volunteers challenge the muscular regulars in feats of strength. (Teletext) (s) (476712)
7.10 Blind Date. Cilla Black plays cupid to another collection of lovelorn hopefuls and finds out what happened to last week's romantic match. (Teletext) (s) (148847)
8.10 Dame Edna's Neighbourhood Watch. All-female quiz game in which one of the contestants discovers that Dame Edna and a camera crew have been snooping in her home without her knowledge. (Teletext) (s) (667731)
8.40 News with Nicholas Owen. (Teletext) Weather (299489)
9.00 The Bill: A Class Act. A drugs raid fails, but all is not lost after DC Carver takes a dislike to one of the customers (4977)
9.30 Benn v Eubank: Round One – The Best of Enemies. Jonathan Ross and a celebrity audience question tonight's contestants about themselves and each other (s) (426625)
10.15 The Big Fight – Live. From Old Trafford, Manchester, Jim Rosenthal introduces coverage of the WBC/WBO super-middleweight championship bout between Nigel Benn (WBC champion) and Chris Eubank (WBO champion). The commentators are Reg Gutteridge and Jim Watt (4429880)
11.25 Film: Smokey and the Bandit – Part 3. The second sequel of the chase movie starring Jackie Gleason as the unfortunate sheriff who is always one gear behind The Bandit (Jerry Reed), an ace truck driver. Directed by Dick Lowry (768199)
1.00am The Big E. European style magazine (s) (1225768)
1.55 It's Bizarre! presented by Linda Lusardi. The guests include singer Eddy Grant (2303316)
2.50 New Music (9431215)
3.55 European 9-Ball Pool Masters from the Matchpool Complex, Plymouth (7788671)
4.50 BPM. News, sounds and fashions from the dance music scene (s) (3547132)
5.30 ITN Morning News (19565). Ends at **6.00**



Cilla Black makes a romantic match (7.10pm)

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Wonderful Wizard of Oz (r) (s) (1616606) **6.25 Wowser.** Canine cartoon adventures (6517644) **6.35 Bobobobs** (r) (2043557)
7.05 The Legend of White Fang. Animated adventures of Jack London's canine hero (6651606) **7.30 Pugwall's Summer.** Australian teenage adventures (26118)
8.00 Transworld Sport (56719)
9.00 News (6220625) **9.15 Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line** (570354)
9.45 American Football. A repeat of Monday's programme which featured Philadelphia Eagles at the New York Jets (4522248)
11.00 Gazetta Football Italia. A preview of the weekend's Serie A games (68098)
12.00 Sign On. A look at the lives of deaf people in Zambia (85719)
12.30 Lata, In Her Own Voice: Days Come Days Go. The celebrated Indian playback singer Lata Mangeshkar talks about her life and career (r) (6938557)
1.05 The 32nd World Eskimo Olympics. Unusual Inuit sporting events (r) (4897489)
2.05 Channel 4 Racing from York and Longchamp. John Francome introduces live coverage of the 2.15, 2.45 and 3.45 from York and highlights from Longchamp (141625)
4.00 The Times World Chess Championship. News and action from the Garry Kasparov/Nigel Short encounter at the Savoy Theatre, London (3256354)
5.05 Brookside. Omnibus edition (r). (Teletext) (s) (6822460)
6.30 Right To Reply presented by Sheena McDonald in Blackpool. (Teletext) (s) (644)
7.00 God: For and Against. (Teletext) See Choice (8809)
8.00 The Times World Chess Championship. Further news from the Savoy Theatre, London (5248)
8.30 Whose Line Is It Anyway? Improvised comedy series. The guests are Greg Proops, Ryan Stiles, Brad Sherwood and Colin Mochrie (r) (s) (7083)
9.00 The Camomile Lawn (r). (Teletext) (s) See Choice (2139625)



Topical satire with Rory Bremner (10.05pm)

10.05 Rory Bremner – Who Else? The first of a new series starring the comedy impressionist, with John Bird and John Fortune (290422)
10.50 Film: Shadows (1960, b/w) starring Hugh Hurd and Lelia Goldoni. The *John Cassavetes* season continues with his award-winning directorial debut about a black family living in New York (71382977)
12.25am The Times World Chess Championship. Analysis of today's game (1562756)
1.00 Film: Platinum Blonde (1931, b/w) starring Jean Harlow and Robert Williams. A Frank Capra comedy, part of the *Love Goddesses* season, about a reporter who yearns for his old life after marrying into a wealthy family (656687). Ends at **2.35**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Neale James (FM only until **6.00am**) **7.00** Gary Davies **10.00** Claire Sturgess **1.00pm** Adrian Juste **2.00** In Session: Tracks by Marc Bolan **3.00** Johnnie Walker **5.30** The Saturday Rock Show **7.30** In Concert: Paul Weller, recorded at the Albert Hall **8.30** Jeremy Hardy Speaks to the Nation **9.00** Andy Kershaw **11.00** John Peel (FM only from **12.00**) **2.00-4.00am** Lynn Parsons (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **4.00am** Colin Berry **6.00** Barbara Sturgeon **8.05** Brian Matthew with Sounds of the Sixties **10.00** Sally O'Sullivan **12.00** Hayes on Sunday **1.30pm** The News Huddlines (r) **2.00** Ronnie Hilton with Sounds of the Fifties **3.00** Steve Race **4.00** On the Town: Betty Comden and Adolph Green talk about their work on Broadway and in Hollywood (2/3) **5.00** Cinema 25.30 Nick Barraclough with New Country **6.00** Bob Holness Requests the Pleasure **7.00** Salutations: A tribute to Edric Connor **7.30** The Magic of Vienna: The music of Johann Strauss and Franz Lehár **9.30** David Jacobs **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme **12.05am** Ronnie Hilton (r) **1.00-4.00** Charles Nove

RADIO 5

6.00am World Service **6.30** Mark Curry's Weekend Edition **9.30** Get Set **10.30** Superman Doomsday and Beyond **11.00** Go! **12.00** Sport on 4 Plus 1 (as Radio 4 at 9.05am) **12.30pm** Sportscall **1.30** Sport on Five, including football; **2.00** racing from Ascot; Belgian Open golf and rugby **5.00** Sports Report **6.06** Six-O-Six **7.30** Afropop Worldwide **8.30** Le Top **9.30** Nightbeat **10.00** Sports Bulletin **10.15** The Way Out **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in **BST. 5.30am** BBC English **5.45** News and Press Review in German **6.00** Morgenmagazin **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.10** British News **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Europe Today **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** People and Politics **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** A Jolly Good Show **10.00** News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Worldbrief **10.30** Personal View **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.01** Jazz Now and Then **11.15** Letter from America **11.30** Waveguide **11.40** Book Choice **11.45** From the Weeklies **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** BBC English **12.45** Mittagsmagazin **1.00** News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Multitrack 3 **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.01** Sportsworld **4.00** News **4.15** Sportsworld **5.00** News **5.10** British News **5.15** BBC English **5.30** Heute Aktuell **6.00** News Summary **6.01** Omnibus **6.30** BBC English **7.00** Newsdesk **7.30** Heute Aktuell **8.00** News in German **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Personal View **9.30** Jazz for the Asking **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.10** British News **11.15** Meridian **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** News **12.05am** Words of Faith **12.10** Book Choice **12.15** A Jolly Good Show **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** The John Dunn Show **2.00** News Summary **2.01** Play of the Week: *A Dangerous Game* **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** From Hoplite to Harrier: A Radio History of Warfare **4.00** News **4.10** British News **4.15** Sport **4.30** From Our Own Correspondent **4.50** Write On **5.00** News **5.15** Live from the Archive

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Sarah Lucas **9.00** Classic Countdown **12.00** Petroc Trelawny **3.00pm** Nicky Horne **6.00** Classic America **7.00** World Opera Series: In a 1960 recording, the Rome Opera House Orchestra under Erich Leinsdorf performs Puccini's *Turandot* **10.00** Six of the Best **12.00-6.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Graham Dene **10.00** Big Red Mug Show **1.00pm** Paul Coyte **4.00** Dave Fanning **8.00** Wendy Lloyd **11.00** Tommy Rivers **2.00am** Sandy Beech

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Movies, Games And Videos (15441) **1.05** Anglia News (51784642) **1.10** The Littlest Hobo (32738644) **1.35** Cops (72271712) **2.05** Film: Voyage To The Bottom Of The Sea (867286) **3.45-4.40** The A-Team (9271847) **5.00-5.15** Anglia News, Sport & Weather (1893644) **1.00am** Hollywood Report (32519) **1.30** Kojak (2211381) **2.25** BPM (3850519) **3.25** The Little Picture Show (7823045) **4.20** The Big E (9373126) **5.15-5.30** On The Live Side (3810107)

CENTRAL
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 America's Top 10 (15441) **1.05** Central News (51784642) **1.10-1.35** C.O.P.S. (32738644) **1.35** Movies, Games And Videos (72271712) **2.05** Knight Rider (7707489) **3.00** The A-Team (2325625) **3.55-4.40** WCW World Wide Wrestling (5255151) **5.00** Central News (4480793) **5.05-5.15** The Central Match - Goals Extra (2179828) **11.25** Film: The Little Foxes (12269557) **1.35am** Beverly Hills 90210 (8598010) **2.25** It's Bizarre! (9525749) **3.20** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (61244774) **3.50** America's Top 10 (83007923) **4.20** Jobfinder (3046590) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (8669749)

HTV WEST
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Movies, Games And Videos (15441) **1.05** HTV News & Weather (51784642) **1.10** Sail The World (32728267) **1.40** Nigel Mansell's Indycar 93 (72270083) **2.10** Cartoon Time (88185422) **2.20** Film: Let The Balloon Go (9013880) **3.45-4.40** The A-Team (9271847) **5.00-5.15** HTV News & Weather (1893644) **1.00am** Hollywood Report (32519) **1.30** Kojak (2211381) **2.25** BPM (3850519) **3.25** The Little Picture Show (7823045) **4.20** The Big E (4463045) **5.05-5.30** On The Live Side (1106861)

HTV WALES
As HTV WEST except: 1.05pm-1.10 HTV Wales News & Weather (51784642) **5.00-5.15** HTV Wales News & Weather (1893644) **11.15-1.00pm** Film: Smokey And The Bandit 3 (874199) **5.15am-5.30** On The Live Side (3810107)

MERIDIAN
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Movies, Games And Videos (15441) **1.05** Meridian News & Weather (51784642) **1.10** Sail The World (32728267) **1.40** Nigel Mansell's Indycar '93 (72270083) **2.10** Film: BMX Bandits (864199) **3.50** Warner Cartoon (2783809) **3.55-4.40** WCW World Wide Wrestling (5255151) **5.00-5.15** Meridian News & Weather (1893644) **1.00am-2.45** Film: Dr Terror's House Of Horror (662774) **2.45** The Big E (2346294) **3.40** Disaster Chronicles (83190687) **4.05** Get Wet (70622768) **4.30-5.30** BPM (39300)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Movies, Games And Videos (15441) **1.05** Tyne Tees News (51784642) **1.10** The Munsters Today (32738644) **1.35** Wanted Dead Or Alive (72271712) **2.05** Film: For The Love Of Ada (867286) **3.45-4.40** Highway To Heaven (9271847) **5.00-5.15** Tyne Tees Saturday (1893644) **1.00am** Coach (32519) **1.30** Kojak (2211381) **2.25** BPM (3850519) **3.25** The Little Picture Show (3793107) **4.25-5.30** Cue The Music (8883768)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Movies, Games And Videos (15441) **1.05** Westcountry Weekend Latest (51784642) **1.10** Nigel Mansell's Indycar '93 (32728267) **1.40** The A-Team (9445628) **2.35** Cartoon (3636557) **2.50** Birthday People (8757557) **2.55** Dinosaurs (9860267) **3.25** Anybody Out There? (3807098) **3.55-4.40** Superstars Of Wrestling (5255151) **5.00-5.15** Westcountry Weekend Latest (1893644) **1.00am** Hollywood Report (32519) **1.30** Kojak (2211381) **2.25** BPM (3850519) **3.25** The Little Picture Show (7823045) **4.20** The Big E (9373126) **5.15-5.30** On The Live Side (3810107)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Movies, Games And Videos (15441) **1.05** Calendar News (51784642) **1.10** The Munsters Today (32738644) **1.35** Wanted Dead Or Alive (72271712) **2.05** Film: For The Love Of Ada (867286) **3.45-4.40** Highway To Heaven (9271847) **5.00-5.15** Calendar News (1893644) **1.00am** Coach (32519) **1.30** Kojak (2211381) **2.25** B.P.M. (3850519) **3.25** The Little Picture Show (3793107) **4.25-5.30** Cue The Music (8883768)

S4C
Starts: 7.30 Pugwall's Summer (26118) **8.00** Trans World Sport (56719) **9.00** News Summary (6220625) **9.15** Racing The Morning Line (570354) **9.45** American Football (4522248) **11.00** Gazetta Football Italia (68098) **12.00pm** Sign On (85719) **12.30** Screaming Reels (13083) **1.00** Classic Motorcycles (68034) **1.30** The Maitland And Morpeth String Quartet (9492118) **2.05** Channel 4 Racing (141625) **4.00** World Chess Championship (3256354) **5.05** Brookside (6822460) **6.30** Cwlwm Serch (644) **7.00** Newyddion (891441) **7.15** Bacha Hi O'Ma (588441) **8.00** Tocyn Tymor (7557) **9.00** Dihirod Dyfed (348996) **9.45** Four-Mations Winners: Dreamless Sleep (544977) **10.05** Rory Bremner - Who Else? (290422) **10.50** Film: The Black Marble (87038557) **12.55am** World Chess Championship (4084294)

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather
7.00 Record Review, with Anthony Burton. Weber (Symphony No 1 in C); Handel (Flute Sonata in D, HWV378); Jolivet (Concertino for Trumpet, Piano and Strings); Du Mont (Litanies de la vierge); Schubert (Rondo in A, D438); Korngold (Piano Sonata No 1 in D minor); Gershwin (Catfish Row Suite, Porgy and Bess). **9.00 Building a Library:** Michael Oliver reviews Stravinsky (The Soldier's Tale); Anthony Burton reports on this year's *Gramophone* awards; and the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra under Harnoncourt performs a Schubert cycle on Teldec. **10.20 Record Release:** Schubert (Symphony No 9 in C, Great: Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra); **11.20** Reissues. The first releases by the Testament label: Beethoven (Clarinet Trio in B flat, Op 11: Reginald Kell, clarinet, Anthony Pini, cello, Denis Matthews, piano)
12.00 Spirit of the Age: George Pratt investigates early music in education. With music from the Royal College of Music Baroque Orchestra, the Palladian Ensemble and the European Community Baroque Orchestra **1.00pm News**
1.05 Replay: Bertrand Russell talks about his friendship with Beatrice and Sidney Webb
1.25 New London Orchestra under Ronald Corp performs Vaughan Williams (Five Variants of Dives and Lazarus); Eric Wetherell (Bristol Quay Suite); Holst (St Paul's Suite)
2.10 Rhapsody in Green: John Johnson (Greensleeves: Nigel North and Jakob Lindberg, lutes); Verdi (Eh! Paggio! L'onore! Ladri! Falstaff: Geraint Evans, baritone; Suisse Romande Orchestra under Bryan Balkwill); Maurice Greene (O Clap Your Hands Together: Choir of New College, Oxford, under Edward Higginbottom); Byrd (Fantasia in 6 parts No 2: Fretwork)
2.30 Monteverdi's Madrigals: Anthony Rooley introduces the first of eight selections from Monteverdi's First Book of Madrigals. Performed by the Consort of Musicke
3.00 Vintage Years: Chicago Symphony Orchestra under Fritz Reiner performs Kodály (Dances from Galanta); Bartók (Concerto for Orchestra); Alan Hovhannes (Symphony No 2, Mysterious Mountain); Prokofiev (Symphony No 5)
5.00 Jazz Record Requests, with Geoffrey Smith
5.45 Music Matters: Ivan Hewett investigates a newly discovered Berlioz Mass and discusses the Performing Right Society
6.30 Carmen: Chorus of the Grand Theatre, Geneva, and the Suisse Romande Orchestra under Gary Bertini perform Acts 1 and 2 of Bizet's four-act opera, in a new production by Adolfo Marsillach. Sung in French. With Denyce Graves in the title role. **8.00** Women in Spain (r). **8.15** Acts 3 and 4
9.30 Studio Three: Biological Radio. See Choice
10.15 Scenes from the East: Anthony Goldstone and Caroline Clemmow, pianos, perform Schumann (Bilder aus Osten, 6 Impromptus, Op 66); Raff (Sous le saule de levant, Op 82 No 11); Glière (Orientale, Op 38 No 17); Mayer (Sangit Alamkara) (r)
11.00 Impressions: Brian Morton reviews the latest jazz releases
12.30-12.35am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping **6.00** News; Weather **6.10** The Farming Week. Sandy Mitchell joins hunt saboteurs in Wiltshire **6.50** Prayer for the Day with James Whitbourn **6.55, 7.55** Weather **7.00** Today, with Sue MacGregor and Peter Hobday. Including **7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **7.25, 8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day with the Rev Dr Colin Morris **8.58** Weather
9.00 News 9.05 Sport on 4, with Cliff Morgan
9.30 Breakaway. Maria Harding visits Indiana's Amish community
10.00 Loose Ends: Conversation with Ned Sherrin and guests
11.00 News; Conservative Party Conference Special
11.30 From Our Own Correspondent
12.00 Money Box, presented by Alison Mitchell
12.25pm The News Quiz, chaired by Barry Took. With team captains Richard Ingrams and Alan Coren **12.55** Weather
1.00 News
1.10 Any Questions? Jonathan Dimbleby's guests in Fleetwood, Lancashire, are Alan Beith, MP, Liberal Democrat treasury spokesman; David Blunkett, MP, shadow health secretary; Tony Newton, MP, Lord President of the Council; and Amanda Playtell, managing editor, Mirror Group Newspapers (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 Any Answers? 071-580 4444 from 12.30pm
2.30 Playhouse: Whale Music, by Anthony Minghella. Caroline, pregnant by one of her two boyfriends, escapes to Stella's flat by the sea. Then Fran, an old schoolfriend, comes back into her life, and Kate arrives with her lover D. With Juliet Stevenson, Jill Gascoine and Alison Steadman (r)
4.00 News; What If . . ? Lord Rogers, who co-founded the SDP, and Ken Livingstone, MP, consider what might have happened if Hugh Gaitskell had become the Labour prime minister in 1964 (r)
4.30 Science Now, presented by Peter Evans. New ways to deal with agricultural waste
5.00 The Living World: Lionel Kelleway tracks snails (r)
5.25 Fourth Column 5.50 Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 News and Sport
6.25 Week Ending (r)
6.50 Ad Lib: Robert Robinson talks to railwaymen in Crewe
7.20 Kaleidoscope: Cinemas in the Living Room. See Choice
7.50 Saturday Night Theatre: Whee 'oss. Carolyn Backhouse, Charles Simpson and Jenny Funnel star in R.E.T. Lamb's two interweaving love stories, inspired by a Cornish fertility festival
9.05 Music in Mind, presented by Brian Kay
9.50 Ten to Ten 9.59 Weather
10.00 News
10.15 Where Youth Grows Pale: Diana Eden talks to author Alan Sillitoe, scriptwriters Galton and Simpson, and actor Mark Eden about the stigma of tuberculosis (r)
10.45 The World of Anthony Trollope: Richard Mullen considers aspects of 19th-century life (r)
11.00 Richard Baker Compares Notes with the cellists Ralph Kirshbaum and Lynn Harrell (r)
11.30 Deadlock: Kathleen Turner stars as Sara Paretsky's tough private eye, V.I. Warshawski (r)
12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

Studio Three: Biological Radio. *Radio 3, 9.30pm.*
We enter strange scientific territory in Mike Ladd's play, recorded in Australia. It has only one familiar character – Pavlov, whose dogs would dribble every time a bell was rung by him. He and his dogs appear briefly tonight. However, this is not their story but that of Vyakov, for some time a student of Pavlov and later a pioneer in the field of telepathy. Andrew Sachs plays the scientist in a play constructed on minimalist lines and offering no conclusions about telepathy as a phenomenon.

Kaleidoscope: Cinemas in the Living Room. *Radio 4, 7.20pm.*
No argument in the debate about whether home video is a curse or a blessing is ignored in Philip Dodd's enquiry. The consumer has a say ("video is more important than food"). So does the man from the British Board of Film Classification ("the future looks daunting"). And so do a couple of film-makers and a child physiotherapist, whose thoughts about video cannot be encapsulated in a single sentence and therefore could have done with more air time. The jury in the great video trial is still out.

Peter Davalle

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am Rin Tin Tin (25064) **6.30** Abbott and Costello (10083) **7.00** Fun Factory (5653267) **11.00** The DJ Kat Show (51828) **12.00** World Wrestling Federation Mania (58170) **1.00pm** Rags to Riches (74118) **2.00** Bewitched (1064) **2.30** The Facts of Life (7354) **3.00** Cartoons (87118) **4.00** The Dukes of Hazzard (66625) **5.00** World Wrestling Federation Superstars (4151) **6.00** Beverly Hills, 90210 (54354) **7.00** The Flash (15489) **8.00** Unsolved Mysteries (91809) **9.00** Cops I (63809) **9.30** Xposure (68199) **10.00** World Wrestling Federation Superstars (53660) **11.00** Stingray (32793) **12.00** Monsters (65768) **12.30am** The Rifleman (28749) **1.00-2.00** The Comedy Company (77213)

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (8897118) **9.30** ABC Nightline (37441) **10.30** Fashion TV (26847) **11.30** Week in Review UK (39199) **12.30pm** Critical Earth (97335) **1.30** The Reporters (96064) **2.30** Travel Destinations (10373) **3.30** 48 Hours (24977) **4.30** Fashion TV (9460) **5.00** Live at Five (36731) **6.30** Week in Review UK (95064) **7.30** Sportsline (38267) **9.30** The Reporters (57441) **10.30** 48 Hours (41712) **11.30** CBS Weekend News (11083) **12.30am** Week in Review UK (79671) **1.30** The Reporters (28774) **2.30** *Financial Times* West of Moscow (54294) **3.30** Travel Destinations (66039) **4.30** Critical Earth (57774) **5.30-6.00** 48 Hours (64039)

SKY MOVIES
6.00am Showcase (78354)
8.00 Murderer's Row (1966): Spy spoof starring Dean Martin, Ann-Margret and Karl Malden (26844)
10.00 Dragnet (1969): Jack Webb plays Sergeant Joe Friday investigating the murders of several young models (40151)
12.00 The One and Only (1978). Henry Winkler tries to get into showbusiness but ends up as a flamboyant wrestler (16267)
2.00pm Kingdom of the Spiders (1977): William Shatner defends the world from rampaging tarantulas (98712)
4.00 Rock-a-Doodle (1991) A rooster becomes a rock 'n' roll star (9083)
6.00 Lionheart (1987): Eric Stoltz leads a band of juvenile knights on a crusade in the 12th century (85248)
8.00 Timescape: The Grand Tour (1992) Science fiction thriller about time-travelling tourists. Starring Jeff Daniels (80793)
10.00 Backdraft (1991): Sibling rivalry erupts between fire-fighters Kurt Russell and William Baldwin (156749)
12.20am Carnal Crimes Adult film (475768)
2.15 The Spirit of '76 (1990). David Cassidy travels back in time to 1976 (156749)
3.45 A Row of Crows (1991): John Beck is forced to solve a murder case without involving an old friend. With Katharine Ross (160107). Ends at **5.25**

SKY MOVIES GOLD
4.00pm Adam's Rib (1949, b/w). Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn as opposing lawyers in a controversial court case (3083)
6.00 White Heat (1949, b/w): James Cagney stars as the mother-fixated gangster. With Edmond O'Brien (83828)
8.00 Blade Runner (1982). Harrison Ford stars as Ridley Scott's futuristic bounty hunter on the trail of renegade androids. With Rutger Hauer and Sean Young (88373)
10.00 Star Wars: Men on the Verge. Choose between Robert De Niro in *Taxi Driver* (1976), Jack Nicholson in *The Shining* (1980) and Bob Hoskins in *The Long Good Friday* (1980) (62847). Ends at **12.00**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am The Dragon That Almost Wasn't (1983) Cartoon about a baby dragon who thinks that its mother is a bear (76996)
8.00 The Distant Home (1990) An Australian girl is destined to become the ruler of the galaxy (24286)
10.00 Scooby-Doo and the Reluctant Werewolf Cartoon adventures (48793)
12.00 Fail-Safe (1964): Thriller about an accidental bombing raid on Russia. Starring Henry Fonda and Walter Matthau (14809)
2.00pm Death of a Gunfighter (1969) A sheriff refuses to relinquish his authority. With Richard Widmark and Lena Horne (96354)
4.00 Edward Scissorhands (1990) Fairytale about a young man with scissors for hands and the girl who learns to love him. With Johnny Depp and Winona Ryder (7625)
6.00 Bill and Ted's Bogus Journey (1991) Alex Winter and Keanu Reeves meet the Grim Reaper (16118)
8.00 City Slickers (1991): Male-bonding comedy starring Billy Crystal, Daniel Stern and Bruno Kirby. Three middle-aged men book a holiday on a cowboy ranch (86335)
10.00 Thelma and Louise (1991): Geena Davis and Susan Sarandon become fugitives from the law (8559996)
12.10am Field of Fire (1991): David Carradine and his elite force are dropped into the Vietnam jungle (440107)
1.45 Jekyll and Hyde . . . Together Again (1982): Spoof of the split-personality story. With Mark Blankfield (347687)
3.20 Night of the Cyclone (1990): Kris Kristofferson travels to the Caribbean to investigate his daughter's disappearance (8773871). Ends at **4.50**

SKY SPORTS
7.00am The Big League: Halifax v Salford (551712) **8.30** Soccer Weekend (82151) **10.30** Andy Gray's Boot Room (51557) **11.30** Motorsport RS2000 Rally (71034) **12.00** Jack High Bowls (22354) **1.00pm** Sports Saturday (9639847) **6.00** Australian Rugby League (25880) **8.00** American Sports Cavalcade (33809) **9.00** Dubai Classic Snooker (36996) **11.00** Horse of the Year Show (93644) **12.30am** Best of British Motorsport (27861) **1.30-2.30** American Sports Cavalcade (62132)

EUROSPORT
8.30am Step Aerobics (83977) **9.00** International Motorsport Magazine (78170) **10.00** Triathlon World Cup (75422) **11.00** American Football (93793) **11.30** Motorcycling Grand Prix Magazine (94422) **12.00** Boxing KO Magazine (17422) **1.00pm** Aerobics World Championship (26170) **2.00** The Pharaoh Rally (5422) **2.30** Cycling: Tour of Lombardy (87248) **4.30** Tennis: WTA Ladies' European Championship (822847) **7.30** Golf: Piaget Open (70267) **9.30** The Pharaoh Rally (18151) **10.00** Tennis: WTA Ladies' European Championship (41828) **11.00** International Boxing Middleweight Championship: Nigel Benn v Chris Eubank (85828) **1.00-2.00am** Motors Magazine (45213)

UK GOLD
7.00am Defenders of the Earth (3563064) **7.30** Adventures of the Galaxy Rangers (3582199) **8.00** *The Raccoons* (8758489) **8.30** Lassie (8740460) **9.00** Film: The Amazing Colossal Man (1957, b/w): An army colonel grows to 70 feet and goes on the rampage (15138733) **10.20** The All New Popeye Show (3114118) **10.30** Anne of Avonlea (7501809) **11.30** Jossy's Giants (3814880) **12.00** Five Children and It (8728248) **12.30pm** Swallows and Amazons Forever! (5651002) **1.00** Film: The Spanish Main (1945). Swashbuckling adventure starring Maureen O'Hara (90598151) **2.45** EastEnders Omnibus (37831712) **5.30** Carrie's War (5486606) **6.00** The Little and Large Show (6418847) **6.30** Just for Laughs (6409199) **7.00** Top of the Pops, 1976 (5668996) **7.45** In Sickness and In Health (7451847) **8.15** Miss Marple: The Moving Finger. Joan Hickson plays Agatha Christie's amateur sleuth (53880712) **10.00** Film: Cat on a Hot Tin Roof (1958): Elizabeth Taylor and Paul Newman star in Tennessee Williams's stage play about the family of a dying patriarch (3824267) **12.00** Naked Video (7108213) **12.30am** Cool It (2566478) **1.00** In Concert: Dionne Warwick (3809687) **2.00-7.00am** Shopping at Night (9153756)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am The Best of Jock in the Box (77977) **7.00** The Marzipan Pig (44151) **7.30** Tootor Turtle (63286) **8.00** Babar (46460) **8.30** The Secret World of Og (45731) **9.00** T-Rex (36083) **9.30** Beekman's World (63625) **10.00** Saved by the Bell (13793) **10.30** Piggsburg Pigs (32267) **11.00** Art Attack (31977) **11.30** Radio Detectives (32606) **12.00** Captain America (56847) **12.30pm** The New Fantastic Four (7364170) **1.00** Prince Valiant (43422) **1.30** The Dreamstone (66712) **2.00** Radio Detectives (3606) **2.30** Ghostbusters (4625) **3.00** Nanny and the Professor (5441) **3.30** Round the Twist (9170) **4.00-5.00** Okavango (55557)

NICKELODEON
7.00am Eureeka's Castle (70977) **7.30** David the Gnome (82712) **8.00** Wisdom of the Gnomes (80880) **8.30** Janosch's Dream (89151) **9.00** We All Have Tales (90101) **9.30** Wemerville (60793) **10.30** Kid's Court (30165) **11.00** Wild Side Show (21557) **11.30** Salute Your Shorts (71016) **12.00** Hey Dude (30267) **12.30pm** Welcome Freshman (41489) **1.00** Fraggle Rock (62460) **3.00** Weinerville (71052) **4.00** Out of Control (5538) **4.30** Salute Your Shorts (4422) **5.00** Clarissa Explains it All (9248) **5.30** Hey Dude (8002) **6.00** Kid's Court (5915) **6.30-7.00** Are You Afraid of the Dark? (6267)

DISCOVERY
4.00pm Animal Traffic (3835373) **5.00** Around Whicker's World: The Ultimate Package (8894064) **6.00** The Trainer Wars (5634335) **7.00** Forever James Dean (7463644) **8.00** Wings Over the World: Igor Sikorsky (7449064) **9.00** Spies: The Enemy Within (3831557) **9.30** Wars in Peace: Iran-Iraq (5639880) **10.00** Encyclopedia Galactica: Jupiter and Saturn (8760847) **10.30** Arthur C. Clarke's World of Strange Powers: Stigmata The Wounds of Christ (8738267) **11.00** Beyond 2000 (3722286) **11.50-12.00** Only in Hollywood (6832335)

BRAVO
12.00 I Spy (5832977) **1.00pm** The Doris Day Show (3580731) **1.30** The Mothers-In-Law (5645441) **2.00** The Smothers Brothers Show (8811731) **2.30** The New Honeymooners (8402286) **3.00** The Bill Cosby Show (8807538) **3.30** The Invisible Man (8407731) **4.00** Film: The Uncle (1964, b/w): Comedy-drama with Rupert Davies and Robert Duncan (2651354) **5.30** Art Linkletter and the Kids (9483002) **5.45** Torchy, The Battery Boy (7603847) **6.00** Film: The Brand of Hate (1934, b/w): Western with Lucile Browne (5681489) **7.00** Film: Blazing Justice (1936, b/w). A cowboy brings an outlaw to justice (7450170) **8.00** Film: Kelly's Heroes (1970): Comedy variation of *The Dirty Dozen* starring Clint Eastwood (29711793) **10.25** Edgar Wallace (85769625) **11.30-12.00** Hopalong Cassidy (9174444)

UK LIVING
7.00am Jayne and Friends (2184460) **8.00** Fame, Fortune and Romance (8207847) **8.30** Living Daylights (8206118) **9.00** The Full Treatment (8260170) **9.30** On the House (5729422) **10.00** The Best of Anne and Nick (5749286) **12.00** Practical Living (35216644) **12.15pm** Best of Kilroy (7234151) **1.00** Crosswits (6836828) **1.30** Infatuation (5739803) **2.00** Delia Smith's Cookery Course 1 (9640422) **2.30** Divorce Court (7693809) **3.00** Film: The Disappearance of Aimee (1976). Starring Faye Dunaway and Bette Davis (6550373) **5.00** The Best of Anne and Nick (8298199) **7.00** Fighting Back (9651538) **7.30** The Young and the Restless (6949793) **10.00** Film: The Year of Living Dangerously (1983): Starring Mel Gibson, Sigourney Weaver and Linda Hunt (17273083) **12.05am** Fame, Fortune and Romance (3882687) **12.30-1.00** The All New Dr Ruth Show (4312316)

FAMILY CHANNEL
5.00pm The New Zorro (7286) **5.30** The Black Stallion (8441) **6.00** African Skies (5354) **6.30** Bordertown (6606) **7.00** Snowy River: The Mcgregor Saga (71083) **8.00** Film: Conspiracy of Love (86625) **9.30** Film: Flying Blind (84064) **11.00** Beverly Hills Buntz (56286) **11.30** Phyllis (19977) **12.00-1.00am** Lou Grant (40554)

MTV
8.00am Beavis and Butt-Head Weekend (337354) **11.00** The Big Picture (33335) **11.30** Yo! MTV Raps (89373) **1.30pm** First Look (68170) **2.00** Beavis and Butt-Head Weekend (973170) **5.00** Dance (8151) **6.00** The Big Picture (7712) **6.30** News Weekend Edition (8064) **7.00** European Top 20 (66373) **9.00** Saturday Night Live Vintage (53199) **9.30** Pearl Jam Unplugged (58335) **10.00** The Soul of MTV (72712) **11.00** First Look (58644) **11.30** Beavis and Butt-Head Weekend (1791996) **4.00-8.00am** Night Videos (6694660)

TV ASIA
6.00am Asian Morning (27460) **8.00** Punjabi News (9975828) **8.15** Gujarati News (9963083) **8.30** Bengali News (7610996) **8.45** Hindi News (3001557) **7.00** Urdu News (5630828) **7.15** English News (5035335) **7.30** Jyoti (26712) **8.30** Bollywood Plus (49557) **9.00** Life's a Beach (30809) **9.30** Maandi (39847) **10.30** Sports Asia (29793) **11.00** Kiddie Time (69460) **12.00** Hindi, Urdu and English News (43373) **12.30pm** Hanstey Basay (61267) **1.00** Hindi Film: Kabzaa (964422) **4.00** Close **7.00** Bombay Calling (48731) **8.00** English News (745118) **8.15** Faraib (216248) **9.00** Hindi Film: Khilaaf (452002) **12.05am** Sun N Live (4474478) **1.00** Hindi Film: Indira (2054132) **4.00** Cheena Mook (10349) **5.00** Dekh Bhai Dekh (71958) **5.30-6.00** Music (31221)

CNN
Twenty-four hour news programmes

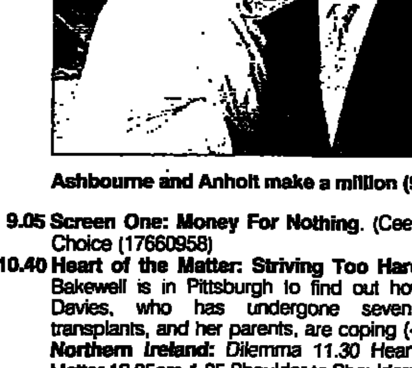
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Country music from midnight to 4pm

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SUNDAY TELEVISION AND RADIO

BBC1

7.00 Ceefax (6563497) **7.25 The High Chaparral.** Vintage western adventures (r) (7135213)
8.15 Breakfast With Frost Sir David Frost's guests include Alan Clark who is also the subject of a career profile on BBC 2 at 11.10pm (345497)
9.15 Faith to Faith A Catholic woman relates how, in Lourdes, she was taught the meaning of the Good Samaritan story by a Muslim boy (s) (4890294)
9.30 This is the Day A look at the life and works of John Henry Newman (s) (44039)
10.00 See Hear! With the British team in Sofia, Bulgaria, for the World Games for the Deaf (s) (83045)
10.30 Winning. Series for people who run their own business (s) (81949) **11.00 Careering Ahead** Working as a bouncer (5855) **11.30 Measure for Measure** Using time (r) (Ceefax) (s) (6584)
12.00 Blooming Bellamy A repeat of the series on medicinal herbs (Ceefax) (s) (13671)
12.30 CountryFile presented by John Craven (4539403). **Wales:** Down to Earth **12.55 Weather** (23811213)
1.00 News (41283297) **1.05 On the Record** with John Humphrys (5178671)
2.00 EastEnders (r) (Ceefax) (s) (84774)
3.00 Perry Mason: The Case of the Scandalous Scoundrel. In tribute to the late Raymond Burr, a repeat of a 1987 courtroom drama in which Perry Mason defends a woman accused of killing the publisher of a salacious magazine. With Barbara Hale, David Ogden Spiers and Morgan Brittany (Ceefax) (53347039)
4.35 Biteback. Sue Lawley with viewers' comments on BBC television programmes (Ceefax) (5845346)
5.15 Nanny Knows Best Nanny Smith with advice on coping with irrational behaviour (Ceefax) (s) (573687)
5.45 The Clothes Show with news from the Milan catwalks (s) (599519)
6.10 News with Moira Stuart (Ceefax) Weather (253478)
6.25 Songs of Praise from Valbonne on the Côte d'Azure (Ceefax) (s) (746749)
7.00 Keeping Up Appearances Hyacinth and Richard's first weekend in their country retreat is not an unqualified success (Ceefax) (s) (4872)
7.30 Lovejoy Eric (Chris Jury), away from Lovejoy's (Ian McShane) influence becomes involved in an Essex marshes smuggling scam. With guest star Warren Mitchell. (Ceefax) (s) (765294)
8.20 Birds of a Feather Sharon's fears are confirmed after husband Chris is given home leave from prison after a family tragedy. (Ceefax) (s) (686497)
8.50 News (Ceefax) and weather (828671)

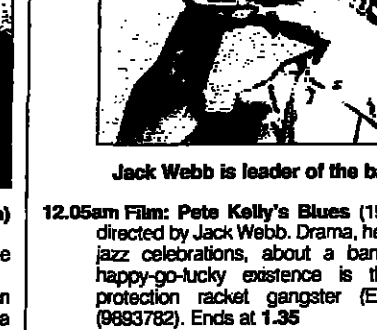


Ashbourne and Anholt make a million (9.05pm)

9.05 Screen One: Money For Nothing. (Ceefax) See Choice (17660958)
10.40 Heart of the Matter: Striving Too Hard? Joan Bakewell is in Pittsburgh to find out how Laura Davies, who has undergone seven organ transplants, and her parents, are coping (479768). **Northern Ireland:** Dilemma 11.30 Heart of the Matter 12.05am-1.25 Shoulder to Shoulder; **Wales:** The Kane Programme 11.20 Heart of the Matter 11.55-1.15am Shoulder to Shoulder
11.15 Shoulder to Shoulder: Annie Kenney. The second of six plays marking the 75th anniversary of women's suffrage (r) (108478)
12.35am Weather (8067614)

BBC2

7.30 Children's BBC: The Really Wild Global Birdwatch. The first of five live reports from Slimbridge (1188774) **7.35 Playdays** (r) (s) (6230316) **8.00 System 93** (3206720) **8.25 The Really Wildshow's Birdwatch** (9083749) **8.35 Blue Peter Omnibus** (r) (s) (6809768) **9.20 Albert the 5th Musketeer** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (5659774) **9.45 The Really Wildshow's Birdwatch** (7093565) **9.55 Jonny Briggs** (r) (7099749) **10.05 Rugrats** (s) (7391045) **10.30 The Really Wildshow's Birdwatch** (9835132) **10.40 Grange Hill** (r) (4560923) **11.00 The O-Zone** (s) (2706519) **11.20 Futurecooks** (s) (2619039) **11.45 The Really Wildshow's Birdwatch** (8379774)
12.00 Stingray Puppet adventures (Ceefax) (9796478)
12.25 Gunsmoke Vintage western series starring in this episode William Shatner (3060861)
1.15 The Phil Silvers Show (b/w) (r) (32700861)
1.40 Film: The Half-Breed (1952) starring Robert Young. Western drama about a fur trader who stirs up discontent among peaceful Indians. Directed by Stuart Gilmore (8057497)
3.00 Beyond Innocence. The final part of the German drama about the race to develop the atomic bomb. English subtitles (8793855)
4.25 Crisis, What Crisis? A studio discussion on the state of English football (6107590)
5.10 Rugby Special. Highlights of Wasps v Bath (4474590) **Wales:** Rugby Special Wales
6.10 A Passion For Angling. Bob James and Chris Yates fish the Kennet in winter. (Ceefax) (s) (948132)
7.00 The Money Programme. Tom Maddocks reports on the threat to British industry from stress (960132)
7.40 Nature by Design The last in the series looks at whether nature can help man make better robots. (Ceefax) (s) (283039)
8.10 K: Kenneth Clark 1903-1983 (s) See Choice (170478)
9.05 World Chess Championship (s) (423861)
9.35 Film: The Sure Thing (1985) starring John Cusack and Daphne Zuniga. American comedy about a wild college boy who is offered a fling with a "sure thing", the only trouble being that she is in California. He manages to hitch a lift with the serious-minded Alison Bradbury. Directed by Rob Reiner (757294)
11.10 Love Tory. A repeat of the film portrait of the controversial former Tory MP Alan Clark (Ceefax) (s) (366855)



Jack Webb is leader of the band (12.05am)

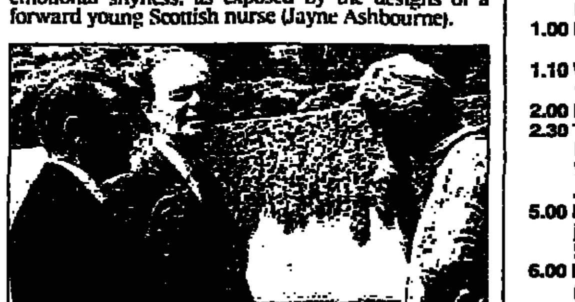
12.05am Film: Pete Kelly's Blues (1955) starring and directed by Jack Webb. Drama, heralding a week of jazz celebrations, about a band leader whose happy-go-lucky existence is threatened by a protection racket gangster (Edmond O'Brien) (9893782). Ends at **1.35**

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CHOICE

Screen One: Money For Nothing
BBC1, 9.05pm

To enjoy Tim Firth's comedy you have to accept two huge premises. The first is that a 16-year-old schoolboy can pass himself off as a property developer. The second is that he can deceive grown men into selling him a pile worth £1 million. It has to be said for Gary (Christien Anholt) that he is not lacking in charm and cheek. He also looks rather older than 16. In any case once you are over the credibility hurdle the *plot flows* smoothly and inventively as Gary gets himself involved too far, tries to extricate himself and only succeeds in making matters worse. Along the way his confident public exterior is contrasted with his private emotional shyness, as exposed by the designs of a forward young Scottish nurse (Jayne Ashbourne).



Kenneth Clark, centre, on location (BBC2, 8.10pm)

K: Kenneth Clark 1903-83
BBC2, 8.10pm

The Saturday afternoon repeat of the *1969 television classic Civilisation* is an opportunity to profile its creator. John Wyver does the job admirably. His programme is celebratory without being fulsome, critical without being destructive. Clark's dazzling public career is contrasted with a troubled private life, in which he drove his wife to drink. He is rightly applauded for bridging high art and popular culture. The connoisseur of great paintings, director of the National Gallery and patron of John Piper, Henry Moore and Graham Sutherland, he also presided over the formative years of Independent Television. As a television performer he was in the top rank, though some now see *Civilisation* as elitist and simplistic.

The South Bank Show: Margaret Atwood
ITV, 10.45pm

The Canadian writer who has twice been short-listed for the Booker prize is interviewed on her home ground of Toronto. Atwood is cool, witty and fluent and bridles only once, when Gillian Greenwood asks her if she is a feminist. Atwood's reply is to lob the question back, with the suggestion that Greenwood's earrings and lipstick may give the answer. The strength of films about writers is that they can evoke place, and a guided tour of Atwood's Toronto makes *the connection between the real world of her* experience and the fictional one of her novels. Less successful is that other favourite television ploy, of trying to bring books to life through dramatisation.

Equinox: In the Path of a Killer Volcano
Channel 4, 7.00pm

The 1991 volcanic eruption at Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines was the biggest for 80 years. Casualties, however, were comparatively light with fewer than 500 dead. Five years earlier an eruption in Colombia killed 22,000. The difference was due to better forecasting. The programme follows members of the *United States Geological Survey* as they measure and interpret the first signs of trouble at Mount Pinatubo and decide on the appropriate action. It is a tricky business. If the danger is overestimated, thousands of people may be evacuated for nothing. If it is underestimated, similar numbers may die. One of the scientists is ecstatic at getting it right, though his skill is of no comfort to the uprooted. **Peter Waymark**

ITV LONDON

6.00 GMTV Early morning news and entertainment (6992774)
9.25 The Disney Club with Richard Orford, Paul Hendy and guest, Ulrika Jonsson (8201836)
10.15 Link Includes a profile of Sally Witcher, the first disabled person to head one of the leading campaign charities. (Teletext) (2527300)
10.30 Sunday Morning Religious magazine series presented by Richard Bath and Kay Avila. With Stephanie Cole visiting her piece of heaven on earth, at Aldeburgh in Suffolk (97836) Plus, at **11.00, Morning Worship** from Troqueer parish church, Dumfries (31126)
12.30 Crosstalk A look at London's political life, presented by Peter Allen. The guests include Lord Healey (33923). Followed by regional **weather**
1.00 News with Nicholas Owen (Teletext) Weather (83666687)
1.10 Walden Brian Walden interviews Michael Howard, the home secretary (s) (6285923)
2.00 Heidi. The story of a Swiss miss (8584)
2.30 The Sunday Match. Live coverage from Vicarage Road of the Endsleigh first division game between Watford and Middlesbrough. The commentators are John Helm and Ray Clemence (413584)
5.00 Murder, She Wrote: Trial By Error. Jessica is on a jury and has the chance to solve a double murder. Starring Angela Lansbury (r) (1671)
6.00 London Tonight presented by Anna Maria Ashe. (Teletext) (998039)
6.20 News with Nicholas Owen. (Teletext) Weather (873381)
6.30 Dr Quinn, Medicine Woman. Drama starring Jane Seymour as a doctor practising in a 1860s Colorado frontier town. (Teletext) (29213)
7.30 Heartbeat Drama series set in a Yorkshire village in the 1960s, starring Nick Berry as a local policeman and Niamh Cusack as his doctor wife. (Teletext) (s) (91652)
8.30 You've Been Framed Jeremy Beadle introduces another collection of home movie disasters. (Teletext) (s) (7855)
9.00 London's Burning More emergencies for Blue Watch including a possible case of arson on a dilapidated estate (Teletext) (1381)
10.00 Hale & Pace Dubious comedy from Gareth and Norman. (Teletext) (s) (16768)
10.30 News with Nick Owen. (Teletext) Weather (943923)

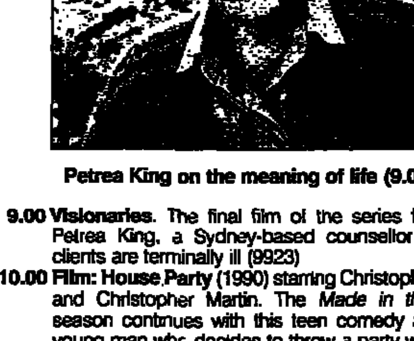


Margaret Atwood at home in Toronto (10.45pm)

10.45 The South Bank Show: Margaret Atwood. See Choice (384949)
11.45 Sail the World. News from the Whitbread Round-the-World Yacht Race (846045)
12.15am Cue the Music featuring Fairport Convention (3351633)
1.20 War of the Worlds. Science fiction drama series (1205904)
2.15 Derrick. German police drama (2005546)
3.20 Pro-Box Classics. Mike McCallum v Michael Watson (3761508)
4.20 Olympic Dream. Film of the British windsurfing team competing in the 1992 Barcelona Olympics (9703966)
5.00 Crusade in the Pacific. Second world war documentary series (58275)
5.30 ITN Morning News (33275). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Trans World Sport (r) (3466958)
6.55 Heathcliff. Animated adventures of a cat (8299478) **7.10 The Wombles** (r) (7527590) **7.15 Widget** (6642958) **7.40 The California Raisin Show**. Musical animation (6159497)
8.05 Super Dave. Animated adventures of an accident-prone stuntman (3303687) **8.30 Dennis** (30215) **9.00 The Adventures of T-Rex** (99045) **9.30 Wowser** (r) (4022565)
9.45 Flipper. The friendly dolphin comes to the rescue again (595294)
10.15 Beat that Sport. The first of a new children's BMX magazine series. (Teletext) (683403)
10.45 Land of the Giants. Science fiction adventure series (740942)
11.45 Little House on the Prairie. Family series set on the Kansas Plains during the Depression (746126)
12.45 Film: Knight Without Armour (1937, b/w) starring Robert Donat and Marlene Dietrich. The Alexander Korda season continues with this romantic adventure about an Englishman who rescues a Russian noblewoman from the 1917 Revolution. Directed by Jacques Feyder (911923)
2.45 The Totter A portrait of a third-generation rag and bone man from Shepherd's Bush, west London(r) (878039)
3.15 Film: The Drum (1938). Another in the Alexander Korda season. Set in India's northwest frontier, it stars Sabu as a young prince who helps the British forces defeat his evil uncle. With Raymond Massey, Roger Livesey and Valerie Hobson. Directed by Zoltan Korda (52470687)
5.00 News and weather (4382107) **5.05 The Times World Chess Championship**. A review of the week's games (7049923)
6.00 Opening Shot. A documentary about the auditioning of young choristers to record Purcell's music for the "Funeral of Queen Mary" (s) (855)
6.30 The Cosby Show. American domestic comedy series. (Teletext) (s) (107)
7.00 Equinox: In the Path of a Killer Volcano. (Teletext) (s) See Choice (5799)
8.00 Classic Motorcycles. Enthusiasts remember British marques like Triumph, Norton and Francis Barnett (Teletext) (s) (2590)
8.30 Screaming Reels. In the third of the eight-part angling series Nick Fisher and Kerry Richardson explore taxidermy and spend a day trying to catch trout with Loyd Grossman (Teletext) (s) (5497)



Petrea King on the meaning of life (9.00pm)

9.00 Visionaries. The final film of the series features Petrea King, a Sydney-based counsellor whose clients are terminally ill (9923)
10.00 Film: House Party (1990) starring Christopher Reid and Christopher Martin. The *Made in the USA* season continues with this teen comedy about a young man who decides to throw a party when his parents are away. It marked the directorial debut of Reginald Hudlin. (Teletext) (659213)
11.55 Film: Let's Hope It's a Girl (1985) starring Liv Ullmann, Philippe Noiret and Catherine Deneuve. A comedy drama from the *World Cinema* season about a houshold of weak men ruled by strong-willed women. A French/Italian film with English subtitles. Directed by Mario Monicelli (65026403). Ends at **2.10am**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and **MW. 4.00am** Neale James (**FM** only until **6.00am**) **7.00** Gary Davies **10.00** Nicky Campbell **1.00pm** Number Ones on 1 FM **2.30** Rockline **4.00** The Official UK Top 40 **7.00** The Official 1 FM Album Chart **8.00** Anne Nightingale's Request Show **10.00** Gary Davies (**FM** only from **12.00**) **1.00-4.00am** Claire Sturgess

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **4.00am** Barbara Sturgeon **7.00** Don Maclean **9.05** John Sachs **10.30** Hayes on Sunday **12.00** Desmond Carrington **2.00pm** Benny Green **3.00** Alan Dell **4.00** Hubert Gregg celebrates 60 years on the radio **5.00** Charlie Chester **7.00** Choirgirl of the Year **8.30** Sunday Half Hour from St Anne's, Kilrea **9.00** Alan Keith with Your Hundred Best Tunes **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme: They're Playing My Song **12.05am** Charles Nove with Night Ride **3.00-6.00** Alex Lester

RADIO 5

6.00am World Service **6.30** Mark Curry's Weekend Edition **9.30** Truth in *Dark Places*, by Nigel Baldwin **10.00** Johnnie Walker **12.30pm** Simon Fanshawe's Sunday Brunch: The guest is Mike Walker, editor of America's *National Enquirer* **1.40** Open Forum **2.00** Writers' Weekly **2.30** Room 101 **3.00** Sunday *Sport* **6.00** On the Road with Yakety Yak **6.30** Choosing a School: Primary (r) **7.15** Money Talk **7.45** In Other Words. See Choice **8.00** Italianissimo I: Mark Curry learns Italian **8.30** Mitchell am Rhein: Austin Mitchell improves his German (1/6) **9.00** Restart French (r) **9.30** Black Museum: The Key **10.10** Across the Line **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in **BST. 5.30am** BBC English **5.45** News and Press Review in German **6.00** Tips für Touristen **6.30** Composer of the Month: Giacomo Puccini **7.00** News **7.10** British News **7.15** Letter from America **7.30** Jazz for the Asking **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** From Our Own Correspondent **8.50** Write On **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Ray on Record **10.00** News **10.05** World Business Review **10.15** Short Story: *Golden Opportunities* **10.30** Folk Routes **10.45** Sports Roundup *11.00 News 11.01* Science in Action **11.30** In Praise of God **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** BBC English **12.45** News and Press Review in German **1.00** News **1.01** Play of the Week: *A Dangerous Game* **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.01** Pilgrimages of Hope **3.30** Anything Goes **4.00** News **4.15** Concert Hall **5.00** News **5.10** British News **5.15** BBC English **5.30** News in German **6.00** News **6.05** World Business Review **6.15** BBC English **7.00** Newsdesk **7.30** News in German **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Folk Routes **9.30** Europe Today **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.10** British News **11.15** Meridian **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** News **12.05am** World Business Review **12.15** Ray on Record **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** In Praise of God **2.00** News **2.01** In Their Element Earth **2.45** The Cello on Record **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Composer of the Month: Giacomo Puccini **4.00** News **4.10** British News **4.15** Sports Roundup **4.30** Anything Goes **5.00** News **5.15** Western Philosophers in a Nutshell

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Sarah Lucas **9.00** Classic Romance **12.00** Celebrity Choice **1.00pm** Sunday Concerto **3.00** Masterclass **4.00** Robert Booth **7.00** Authentic Performance **8.00** Evening Concert: Byrd (Mass for Five Voices), Fauré (Requiem); Kodály (Missa Brevis) **10.00** Contemporary Classics **12.00-6.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Graham Dene **10.00** Paul Coyte **2.00pm** *Emperor Rosko* **4.00** The Album Chart **7.00** Wendy Lloyd **10.00** Tommy Rivers **2.00am** Sandy Beech

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 12.30pm Help (4451671) **2.00** *Treasures Of The Titanic* (9559590) **3.10** Film: Agatha Christie's A Caribbean Mystery (52391126) **5.00** Bullseye (9836) **5.30** Heirloom (300) **6.00-6.20** Anglia News (998039) **12.20am** Secret Of The Sahara (1746362) **1.20** Quiz Night (1967072) **1.50** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (9466324) **2.20** Film: Our Very Own (829898) **4.00** Entertainment U.K. (3931614) **4.55** America's Top 10 (55330275) **5.20-5.30** Jobfinder (8629121)

CENTRAL
As London except: 12.30pm Take 15 (29844522) **12.45-1.00** Central Newsweek (75066768) **2.00** 1st Night (20052126) **2.25** *The Mountain Bike Show* (20137861) **2.50** The Central Match - Live (43409774) **5.20-6.20** Life Goes On (7135774) **11.45** Prisoner: Cell Block H (605381) **12.40am** Reap the Whirlwind (1929782) **1.35** Riviera (2287324) **2.30** The ITV Chart Show (91255) **3.30** Cue The Music (96701) **4.30** Central Jobfinder (5196904) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (8629121)

GRANADA
As London except: 12.25pm-1.00 Close To The Edge (8293652) **2.00** Highway To Heaven (7768590) **2.55** Cartoon Time (4780854) **3.10** Film: The Assisi Underground (19489671) **5.15** Go For Goal (495855) **5.45-6.20** Animal Country (494126) **12.20am** Secret Of The Sahara (1746362) **1.20** Quiz Night (1943492) **1.45** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (4841188) **2.20** Film: Our Very Own (104091) **3.55** Entertainment U.K. (3308459) **4.45** America's Top 10 (2434492) **5.20-5.30** Jobfinder (8629121)

HTV WEST
As London except: 12.35-1.00 HTV Newsweek (4450942) **2.00** Inner Journeys (9569768) **2.45** The West Match (7387039) **3.40** Film: The Ted Kennedy Junior Story (490045) **5.15** Dinosaurs (495855) **5.45-6.20** Anybody Out There? (494126) **11.45** Wanted Dead or Alive (111652) **12.20am** *Secret of the Sahara* (1746362) **1.20** Quiz Night (1943492) **1.45** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (4841188) **2.20** Film: Our Very Own (104091) **3.55** Entertainment U.K. (3308459) **4.45** America's Top 10 (2494492) **5.20-5.30** Jobfinder (8629121)

HTV WALES
As HTV WEST except: 12.35-1.00 Playback (4450942) **2.00** Cambria Depicta (8584) **2.30** Heart and Soul (584) **3.00-3.40** The Long White Trail (1287652) **5.15-6.15** Tellyphonin' (715861)

MERIDIAN
As London except: 12.30pm 7 Days (3951652) **12.50-1.00** Meridian News (75056381) **2.00** Highway To Heaven (59382) **3.00** Film: Big Bob Johnson and His Fantastic Speed Circus (52477590) **4.45** Father Dowling Investigates (612720) **5.45-6.20** The Village (494126) **11.45** Serve You Right (846045) **12.15am** Secret Of The Sahara (476966) **1.15** The ITV Chart Show (465850) **2.15** The Art Of The Landscape (66121) **2.45** The Pier (3784459) **3.20-5.00** Film: He Is My Brother (229169)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 12.25pm Lives In Focus (9702039) **12.50-1.00** Tyne Tees Newsweek (75056381) **2.00** Life Goes On (7768590) **2.55** The Tyne Tees Match (26156818) **5.20** The Champions: Where Are They Now? (1053126) **5.50-6.20** Tyne Tees Weekend (482652) **11.45** The Trials Of Rosie O'Neill (605381) **12.40am** Quiz Night (4037140) **1.10** The Beat (5094102) **2.15** Film: Police Aur Mujrim (67754898) **4.50-5.30** Jobfinder (3441904)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Westcountry Update (4451671) **2.00** Children's Island (8584) **2.30** Life Goes On (11294) **3.30** Film: Crisis At Sun Valley (778720) **5.15-6.20** Highway To Heaven (715861) **12.20am** Secret Of The Sahara (1746362) **1.20** Quiz Night (1943492) **1.45** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (4841188) **2.20** Film. Our Very Own (104091) **3.55** Entertainment U.K. (3308459) **4.45-5.20** Top 10

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 12.25pm Newsrang (9702039) **12.50-1.00** Calendar News (75056381) **2.00** Life Goes On (7768590) **2.55** Film: Love Among Thieves (52748942) **4.45** Cartoon (1588381) **4.50** Dinosaurs (8867229) **5.20** The Champions: Where Are They Now? (1053126) **5.50-6.20** Calendar (482652) **11.45** The Trials Of Rosie O'Neill (605381) **12.40am** Quiz Night (4037140) **1.10** The Beat (5094102) **2.15** Film: Police Aur Mujrim (67754898) **4.50-5.30** Jobfinder

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Starts: 8.05 Super Dave (3303687) **8.30** Flipper (30215) **9.00** Slot Sul (2042497) **9.35** Now You're Talking (7870687) **10.00** Dennis (2815519) **10.15** Owl TV (683403) **10.45** Land Of The Giants (740942) **11.45** Little House On The Prairie (748126) **12.45pm** Mork And Mindy (954403) **1.15** Film: Strange Boarders (9350923) **2.40** Film: Northwest Passage (72455805) **5.00** The Music Game (7478) **5.30** Pobol Y Cwm (77463039) **7.15** Gwynfryn (887855) **7.55** Hel Straeon (809126) **8.25** Paradwys Ffwl (177381) **9.25** Newyddion (206316) **9.30** Saith Diwrnod Ar Y Sul (669861) **9.50** LA Law (261861) **10.45** Prostitute (689331) **11.45** World Chess (289395)

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather **7.00 Sacred and Profane**, presented by Penny Gore. Including at **8.00** and **8.45** motets by John Tavener, *sung by the Choir of Christ* Church Cathedral, Oxford, under Stephen Darlington; a further selection from Peter Hurford's BBC Bach organ survey: **7.15** Fantasia in G, BWV 572, **8.25** Trio Sonata No 6 in G, BWV 530; and at **7.25** Schumann (Piano Concerto: Imogen Cooper)
9.00 Brian Kay's Sunday Morning: Smetana (Vltava, Ma Vlast); Bach (Have Mercy Lord, St Matthew Passion); *9.24 Composer of the Week.* Shostakovich (Ballet Suite No 1); Debussy (Claire de Lune), Vivaldi (Mandolin Concerto in C, RV425); Saint-Saëns (Air and Danse Bacchanale, Samson et Dalila); Mozart (Divertimento in B flat, K270); Robert Farnon (Rhapsody for Violin and Orchestra); Beethoven (Prisoners' Chorus, Fidelio); Boccherini (Symphony in B flat, Op 12 No 5); Bartók (Hungarian Sketches, Op 38), Liszt (La Campanella, Liebestraum No 3): **11.24** Artist of the Week: Lindsay Quartet performs Dvořák (Romance. String Quartet No 5 in F minor); Elgar (The Music Makers)
12.15pm Music Matters, presented by Ivan Hewett (r)
1.00 News
1.05 The Sunday Concert. Recorded last week at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, London. BBC Symphony Orchestra under Andrew Davis performs neo-classical works by Stravinsky (Concerto in E flat, Dumbarton Oaks), Strauss (Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme); Stravinsky (Pulcinella)
2.45 Music at Boxgrove: Dmitry Sitkovetsky, violin, Roger Vignoles, piano, perform Beethoven (Violin Sonata in A, Op 12 No 2); Brahms (Violin Sonata No 3 in D minor, Op 108); Grieg (Violin Sonata No 2 in G, Op 13); Ravel (Tzigane)
4.10 Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra under Neeme Järvi performs Arvo Pärt (Fratres); Shostakovich (Cello Concerto No 1: Truls Mørk); Franz Schmidt (Symphony No 3)
5.45 Making Waves: Lisa Jardine *talks to the writer Gore Vidal*
6.25 Rachmaninov: Vespers, sung by the St Petersburg Glinka State Choir (r)
7.30 Sunday Play: Pioneers in Ingolstadt. The first in a season of three European plays highlighting the work of the Gate Theatre in London's Notting Hill. Sandy McDade plays Berta in Marieluise Fleisser's drama, written in 1926, about the effects of an army visit on a small German town. With Teresa McElroy as Alma, Robert Bowman as Korl and Russell Porter as Rosskopf
9.00 Music in Our Time, introduced by Ben Watson. Bill Frisell, guitar; Birmingham Contemporary Music Group under Mike Gibbs perform Berio (Sequenza No 5: Danny Longstaff, trombone); Bill *Frisell (Guitar Improvisations)*; Reich (Vermont Counterpoint: Colin Lilley, flutes); Mike Gibbs (Bloods of Dust)
10.20 Choir Works. In the first of a new series, presenter George Guest talks to the conductor John Eliot Gardiner about the Monteverdi Choir and his approach to Bach's Mass in B minor. With the English Baroque Soloists
12.30-12.35am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** *News Briefing*; *Weather* **6.10** Prelude **6.30** News; Morning Has Broken, incl Bells on Sunday from All Saints' Church, Marcham, Oxfordshire **6.55** Weather **7.00** News **7.15** On Your Farm: See Choice **7.40** Sunday
8.50 Sue MacGregor speaks for the *Week's Good Cause* about the National Forum on Aids and Children **8.55** Weather
9.00 News 9.10 Sunday Papers
9.15 Letter from America (r)
9.30 Morning Service from Haddon Hall Baptist Church, South London
10.15 The Archers: Omnibus edition
11.15 Mediumwave: Joanna Coles reviews the week's events in the media
11.45 Cut the Mustard: Speed. Dilly Barlow explores how food affects our lives
12.15pm Desert Island Discs: Sue *Lawley's castaway is the opera* singer Lesley Garrett **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World This Weekend 1.55 Shipping Forecast
2.00 Gardeners' Question Time: Dr Stefan Buczacki chairs a postbag edition. With Sue Phillips, Fred Downham and Daphne Ledward
2.30 Classic Serial: The Small House at Allington, by Anthony Trollope (final part)
3.30 Pick of the Week, with Chris Serle (r)
4.15 News; Analysis: Beyond Our Means? Stuart Simon examines the government's budget deficit (r)
5.00 News; John Walters in a Surrey Cemetery: Limpsfield churchyard, where Delius is buried (r)
5.30 Poetry Please! Simon Rae celebrates the unique voice of John Clare, with the poet and critic Tom Paulin and readings by Freddie Jones **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.15 Pennine People: Philip Snowden, the first Labour Chancellor, was born in a one-up, one-down moorland cottage (r)
6.30 New Europeans: In the last of the series, David Lodge talks to Annabelle Leach who left London in the 1960s for a new *life in the Italian city of* Florence (r)
7.00 In Business, presented by Peter Day (r)
7.30 Cult Classics: This Book Will Change Your Life. Mick Brown explores what makes a cult classic. He talks to authors Ken Kesey, Joseph Heller, Erica Jong, Robert Pirsig, Richard Bach and Marilyn French (1/5)
8.00 Against the Odds: Marbles to Markers. In the first of three programmes on bookies and gamblers, Carl Chinn explores how children learn the habit
8.30 Opinion: The Croatian writer Slavenka Drakulic describes the corrosive psychological effects of war in the former Yugoslavia (r)
9.00 The Natural History Programme, presented by Kelvin Boot (r)
9.30 Special Assignment (r) **9.59** Weather **10.00 News**
10.15 City Lights, City Shadows: Professor David Harvey explores the future of cities in Britain (1/3)
11.00 Conversation Piece
11.30 Seeds of Faith: Four of Hearts. Rosemary Harthill talks to Ronald Travers, international director of the Leonard Cheshire Foundation
12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping **12.43** As World Service (**LW** only)

CHOICE

In Other Words. *Radio 5, 7.45pm.*
Clive James, British television's scourge of Japanese television, makes a conciliatory gesture to Japan with his beginner's guide to the difficult language which early missionaries to the Orient called "the devil's tongue". James could have helped them a lot. The Japanese symbol for an affectionate nocturnal parting reminds him of a little man resting against a tree. He recommends constant use of "thank you", even when being pushed off a train.

On Your Farm. *Radio 4, 7.15am.*
Break a lifetime's habit this morning. Get up early. You will then hear one of BBC radio's best Sunday programmes. Its formula is classically simple: a breakfast table chat between interviewer and farmer. As the bacon and eggs go down, up come the facts about their production. This is not dry as dust stuff, of specialist interest only to people with farm mud on their boots. It is down-to-earth stuff that is vital to you and me. The farmer this morning is Helen Browning from Wiltshire and Robin Page is the lucky chap who, on behalf of us all, tucks into her organically produced breakfast. **Peter Davalle**

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE

6.00am Hour of Power (22565) **7.00** Fun Factory (5557039) **11.00** The DJ Kat Show (51958) **12.00** World Wrestling Federation Challenge (76652) **1.00pm** Battlestar Galactica (85300) **2.00** Crazy Like a Fox (26774) **3.00** WKRP in Cincinnati (2565) **3.30** Fashion TV (5313) **4.00** UK Top 40 (84107) **5.00** All American Wrestling (9045) **6.00** The Simpsons (72836) **7.00** Deep Space Nine (19381) **8.00** Queen. First of a three-part mini series by Alex Haley (32145) **10.00** Hill Street Blues (18652) **11.00** Entertainment This Week (69923) **12.00** A Twist in the Tale (56140) **12.30am** The *Rifleman (35169) 1.00-2.00 Comic Strip Live* (79701)

SKY NEWS

News on the hour
6.00am Sunrise (931565) **8.30** Business Sunday (68519) **9.30** Frost on Sunday (85381) **11.30** Week in Review International (57671) **12.30pm** The Book Show (31855) **1.30** Target (32584) **2.30** Week In Review International (68768) **3.30** Roving Report (48687) **4.30** *Financial Times* Reports (9756) **5.00** Live at Five (47923) **6.30** Week in Review International (47687) **7.30** The Book Show (95768) **9.30** Target (75923) **10.30** Roving Report (76584) **11.30** CBS *Weekend News (40671) 12.30am Week in* Review International (68459) **1.30** The Book Show (55904) **2.30** Target (61614) **3.30** *Financial Times* Reports (73459) **4.30** Roving Report (75256) **5.30-6.00** CBS Evening News (55411)

SKY MOVIES

6.00am Showcase (20346)
8.00 Hostile Guns (1967). George Montgomery transports four prisoners, including a woman he once loved, to jail (44126)
10.00 To My Daughter (1991). The story of a mother coming to terms with the death of her eldest daughter. With Rue McClanahan and Michele Greene (64861)
12.00 The Diamond Trap (1988): Twiggy plays a British detective assisting two American policemen (34749)
2.00pm Big Man on Campus (1990): A college hunchback woos a beautiful student. With Allan Katz (59872)
4.00 The Neverending Story II: The Next Chapter (1990). A boy is drawn into a magical book (36830792)
5.45 Three Men and a Little Lady (1990). The trio of fathers, Tom Selleck, Steve Guttenberg and Ted Danson, travel to England to rescue Mary (90268126)
8.00 F/X2 – The Deadly Art of Illusion (1991): A special effects wizard is framed for murder. With Bryan Brown and Brian Dennehy (24213)
10.00 The Doctor (1991). A doctor, with little regard for his patients, is diagnosed as having a serious illness. With William Hurt and Christine Lahti (18537774)
12.05am Mutant Hunt (1987) Low-budget science fiction adventure (567324)
2.00 Steele Justice (1987): A Vietnam veteran, Martin Kove, discovers that his worst enemy is now a drug lord (937121)
3.55 Taking Back My Life (1992). Fact-based drama about a woman struggling to come to terms with being raped. Starring Patricia Wettig (365701). Ends at **5.30**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

4.00pm Born Free (1966): Virginia McKenna and Bill Travers star in the film of Joy Adamson's novel (7861)
6.00 American Graffiti (1973): Richard Dreyfuss, Ron Howard, Charles Martin Smith and Paul Le Mat star as four friends celebrating their last hours together before going their separate ways (85316)
8.00 Twilight Zone – The Movie (1983). Four creepy tales (10609316)
9.40 A Star Is Born (1976) A fading rock star, Kris Kristofferson, meets a nightclub singer, played by Barbra Streisand (21771584). Ends at **12.00**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am Reign of Terror (1949, b/w): Sumptuous costume drama set in the French Revolution. With Robert Cummings and Arlene Dahl (20326)
8.00 Waterhole No. Three (1967) James Coburn searches for hidden treasure stolen from the army in this comedy western. With Carroll O'Connor (42768)
10.00 One Desire (1955). Anne Baxter falls in love with Rock Hudson (62403)
12.00 Spymaker: The Secret Life of Ian Fleming (1991). Jason Connery stars as the author of the James Bond stories (38519)
2.00pm Criminal Behaviour (1992): Farrah Fawcett as a lawyer trying to clear the name *of her client. With A. Martinez (59854)*
4.00 Problem Child (1990): A couple adopt *a mischievous boy who turns out to be more* wicked than naughty. With John Ritter and Michael Oliver (2519)
6.00 Drop Dead Fred (1991): Rik Mayall wreaks havoc when he becomes an imaginary friend of Phoebe Cates (10010)
7.30 Xposure: Film news (2861)
8.00 Dragonfire (1990): A disabled Vietnam veteran begins to remember his military past. With Daniel J. Travanti (22855)
10.00 Mortal Passions (1990): Erotic suspense thriller in which a seductress meets her match in her dead husband's brother. With Zach Galligan and Krista Erickson (174107)
*11.40 Murderous Vision (1991): A police-*man and a psychic team up to catch a brutal killer. With Bruce Boxleitner (103039)
1.15am Julia and Julia (1987): A psychological romantic drama starring Kathleen Turner as a woman living two lives (600275)
2.55 10 Rillington Place (1971): Richard Attenborough plays John Christie, the murderous landlord. With John Hurt (74131140). Ends at **6.00**

SKY SPORTS

7.00am Prime Bodies (98403) **7.30** World Sports Special (77710) **8.00** Dubai Classic Snooker (84958) **10.00** Red Line International Motorsport (77774) **11.00** World Sports Special (28565) **11.30** *Horse of the* Year Show (67887) **1.00pm** Dubai Classic Snooker (75010) **3.00** The Boss (2107) **3.30** Super Sunday Extra: Liverpool v Great Britain (775316) **6.00** Golf Royal Green Cup (35958) **7.00** The Big League (12039) **9.00** Dubai Classic Snooker (83126) **11.00** Horse *of the Year Show (41497)* **12.30-2.30** Super Sunday Extra (as 3.30pm) (44614)

EUROSPORT

8.30am Step Aerobics (27497) **9.00** ATP Tennis (445478) **12.00** Cycling: Tour of Lombardy (51942) **1.00pm** Boxing (33590) **2.00** The Pharaoh Rally (8768) **2.30** Sportive Dancing International Meeting from Paris (69010) **4.00** Tennis: WTA Ladies' European Championship (79497) **5.30** ATP Tennis (87229) **7.30** Golf: Piaget Open (24294) **8.30** The Pharaoh Rally (52871) **10.00** Tennis: WTA Ladies' European Championship (89316) **11.30-12.30am** Boxing Benn v Eubank (84039)

UK GOLD

7.00am Jem (3487836) **7.30** The All New Popeye Show (3479671) **8.00** The Lotus Eaters (7239720) **9.00** To Serve Them All My Days (7193749) **10.00** Dr Who Omnibus (5531294) **12.00** Survivors (5534381) **1.00pm** Film: Ferry to Hong Kong (1959) A straight-laced captain and drunken drifter have to rely on each other during a storm. With Orson Welles and Curt Jurgens (1673279) **3.00** The Bill Omnibus (9709497) **5.30** Oliver Twist (6382478) **6.00** Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous (5530565) **7.00** Top of the Pops: 1978 (5562768) **7.45** Dick Emery (7426513) **8.15** Film: Enigma (1982): An expatriate American is recruited as a spy by the CIA. With Martin Sheen (53584584) **10.00** Film. F/X. Murder by Illusion (1986): A special effects expert, Bryan Brown, is hired to stage the phony assassination of a Mafia hood. With Brian Dennehy (3728039) **12.00** Alexei Sayle's Stuff (7173985) **12.30am** Rory Bremner (2516850) **1.00** In Concert. Dionne Warwick (9703459) **2.00-7.00am** Shopping at Night (3458968)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am The Best of Jack in the Box (14297) **7.00** Marvin Baby of the Year (77519) **7.30** Tooter Turtle (83126) **8.00** Babar (66300) **8.30** Michaela's Map (5172942) **8.35** The Secret World of Og (4553768) **9.00** T-Rex (56923) **9.30** Smart! (83565) **10.00** Saved by the Bell (59671) **10.30** Piggsburg Pigs (52107) **11.00** Wideabout (68107) **11.30** Worzel Down Under (89836) **12.00** Jayce and the Wheeled Warriors (18749) **12.30pm** The New Fantastic Four (7868942) **1.00** Prince Valiant (69590) **1.30** The Dreamstone (86652) **2.00** Worzel Down Under (4584) **2.30** Ghostbusters (3584) **3.00** Guys Next Door (6519) **3.30** Mr Majeika (6229) **4.00-5.00** The River Kings (55687)

NICKELODEON

7.00am Eureeka's Castle (96045) **7.30** The World of David the Gnome (77792) **8.00** Wisdom of the Gnomes (24300) **8.30** Janosch's Dream (23671) **9.00** We All Have Tales (14923) **9.30** Weinerville (38923) **10.30** Kid's Court (10107) **11.00** Wild Side Show (26107) **11.30** Salute Your Shorts (27836) **12.00** Hey Dude (96377) **12.30pm** Welcome Freshmen (45381) **1.00** Fraggle Rock (40836) **2.00** Special Delivery (66316) **3.00** Weinerville (21652) **4.00** Out of Control (4294) **4.30** Salute Your Shorts (1738) **5.00** Guts (5294) **5.30** Get the Picture (7958) **6.00** Kid's Court (4671) **6.30-7.00** Are You Afraid of the Dark? (5923)

DISCOVERY

4.00pm Painters to the People (6393584) **4.30** Europe by Design (6399768) **5.00** Man on the Film (8798836) **6.00** Magic or Medicine? (5538107) **7.00** Discovery Wildside (7430316) **8.00** Submarines, Sharks of Steel (7343836) **9.00** Discovery Sunday (7356300) **10.00** The Global Family (8727519) **10.30** Tidal Wetlands (8630039) **11.00-12.00** Red Empire (3474126)

BRAVO

12.00 The Big Valley (5536749) **1.00pm** Dan August (5545497) **2.00** The Partridge Family (3578805) **3.00** Strange Paradise (8794010) **3.30** Saber of London (6474403) **4.00** Film. Escape from Fort Bravo (1953): A girl helps her Confederate love to escape from the Yankees. With William Holden and Eleanor Parker (73922869) **5.45** Torchy, The Battery Boy (7670519) **6.00** Film: Mr and Mrs Smith (1941, b/w): Hitchcock comedy starring Carole Lombard and Robert Montgomery (46978590) **7.35** Art Linkletter and the Kids (5052519) **8.00** Film: Berlin Express (1948, b/w). Spy thriller with Merle Oberon and Robert Ryan (2554010) **9.30** Film: Dark Star (1974): John Carpenter's spaced-out comedy about four hippy astronauts (7220774) **11.00** Revenge (3727300) **11.30-12.00** Death Valley Days (8423756)

UK LIVING

7.00am Jayne and Friends (2151132) **8.00** Fame, Fortune and Romance (8274519) **8.30** Living Daylights (8266590) **9.00** Health UK (8184942) **9.30** What's Up Dr Ruth (5623294) **10.00** The Best of Anne and Nick (5716958) **12.00** Practical Living (35283316) **12.15pm** Best of Kilroy (7138923) **1.00** Crosswits (6723300) **1.30** Infatuation (5626381) **2.00** Floyd on Food (9544294) **2.30** Divorce Court (7580381) **3.00** Film: The River Niger (1976): Moving drama about a black family. Starring James Earl Jones and Cicely Tyson (6527045) **5.00** The Best of Anne and Nick (8185671) **7.00** Family Affairs (9548010) **7.30** The Young and the Restless (6843565) **10.00** Film. Kids Don't Tell (1985). Drama about child abuse. With Michael Ontkean (1947923) **12.00** Divorce Court (3911527) **12.30-1.00am** The All New Dr Ruth Show (4216188)

FAMILY CHANNEL

5.00pm The New Zorro (5836) **5.30** The Black Stallion (7300) **6.00** African Skies (4213) **6.30** Bordertown (5565) **7.00** Remington Steele (12841) **8.00** Film: Uphill All the Way (13855) **9.30** Film. *Conspiracy of Love* (91284) **11.00** Eisenhower and Lutz (56316) **11.30** FM (55855) **12.00-1.00am** Lou Grant (54411)

MTV

8.00am Beavis and Butt-Head Weekend (120497) **10.30** News Weekend Edition (54565) **11.00** The Big Picture (50565) **11.30** European Top 20 (89403) **1.30pm** First Look (88010) **2.00** Sports (6942) **2.30** The Real World II (5942) **3.00** Beavis and Butt-Head Weekend (247359) **6.00** The Pulse (6671) **6.30** News Weekend Edition (7923) **7.00** US Top 20 Video Countdown (86213) **9.00** 120 Minutes (98836) **11.00** Beavis and Butt-Head (58774) **11.30** Headbangers' Ball (338294) **2.00am** VJ Marijne (46633) **3.00-7.00** Night Videos (6796072)

TV ASIA

6.00am Asian Morning (45942) **8.00** Punjabi News (9862300) **6.15** Gujarati News (9867855) **6.30** Bengali News (7514768) **6.45** Hindi News (3078229) **7.00** Urdu News (5527300) **7.15** English News (5839107) **7.30** Jyoti (46652) **8.30** Bollywood Plus (69497) **9.00** Life's a Beach (50749) **9.30** Cheena Mook (20229) **10.30** Kiddie Time (95045) **11.30** Weekend News Round-Up (52590) **12.00** They Must Be Mad (83213) **12.30pm** Dekh Bhai Dekh (81107) **1.00** Hindi Film: Prem Pratigya (698701) **4.00** Close **7.00** Asia's Top Ten (49861) **8.00** English News (832229) **8.15** Kashkool (247749) **9.00** Film World Premiere (476213) **12.05am** Five Past Midnight (4434850) **1.00** Hindi Film. Adhikaar (2958904) **4.00** Face to Face with Ramola Bachchan (29091) **5.00** Kabir (16237) **5.30-6.00** Music (92099)

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DAVID FLUSFEDER PREVIEWS THE BEST OT THE COMING WEEK'S TELEVISION

Wild kids and staying young



Highlights of the week include Germaine Greer in crumpled schoolgirl gear, getting her teeth into the iniquitous subject of 'youthism', and, on the other side of the age divide, a brutal, riveting play about homeless teenagers in London. The English football team has its most important game of the year on Wednesday. And the oddity of the week is the daily poetic analysis of the news, starting on Monday.

Prostitute: Monique and Agnès
Monday, Channel 4, 9-10pm
After shining its unflinching and quite tender light first on transvestites and then on male streetwalkers, this final part of the French documentary series meets the women. Monique is 48, has seven children, and when she retired three years ago she had been a prostitute for 13 years.

Agnès is 36, still works, and seems to enjoy the attention of the camera on her, in the street, in shop doorways. Back at her room (with an industrial-size box of condoms beside the bed) Agnès casually reveals her utterly disdainful views on men. "I didn't feel enough hatred. I needed to feel some more so I became a prostitute."

The main focus of the programme is on Monique, who bakes bread for the hostel where she lives as a kind of apprentice nun. She looks like a sweet middle-aged lady, with her shy smile, curly hair and inexpertly applied eyeshadow, as she sits among *petit bourgeois* Christian objects and talks about her life and career with a bashful candour. Her marriage was not happy ("the few little pleasures in life I took in secret"), and the boyfriend for whom she left her husband became her pimp within two weeks. The life she describes includes "some pretty vile things" but the strength of this programme — and the series it's part of — is that you get what feels like a true sense of the person behind the misadventures. (Even if some of the vile things she talks about are not entirely believable — Monique says, sweetly, bashfully, that in her first prostitution job she had to service between 120 and 150 clients a day, at about 2½ minutes a client.)

Without Walls: Bad Ideas of the 20th Century: Germaine Greer on Youthism
Tuesday, Channel 4, 9-10pm
Germaine Greer always gives good television. She displays the right combination of wit and vanity, while being one of an increasingly small number of people who are actually able to say what they mean. Rather alarmingly, she spends the programme dressed in a schoolgirl uniform (which she uses to ironic rather than tumescent effect on a group of slightly stuffy public schoolboys), as she criticises the great lie of pretending to be younger than one is ("Peter Panic") and celebrates "the greatest adventure — the acquisition of understanding".

Greer chats to a group of women in a beauty parlour in Chingford who all want to be young again, and to Joanna Lumley (aged 47 to GG's 53), who believes in the dignity and grandeur of age (at the same time dying her hair to look younger). She talks also to Tony Blackburn, indistinguishable from the waxworks at Rock Circus, and to a rock journalist in a nightclub queue (who has more trouble understanding Greer than she does understanding him).

Interspersed among these are images from Greer's own history — the intellectual harpie swigging from a bottle of bourbon on an unmade bed, along with clips from Woodstock and sixties London and silly old Timothy Leary. It's as much autobiography as essay, not so much Greer's getting of wisdom as the history of an intellectual survivor who has done her best to age disgracefully. (My friend Percy Pedant would like to point out that "youthism" is not an idea — it's an attitude.)

Timewatch: Hunger Strike: A Hidden History
Wednesday, BBC2, 8-8.50pm
"Those who suffer the most will conquer." That was the attritional philosophy of the 1981 IRA hunger strikers, which was rewarded with ten deaths, the martyrdom of Bobby Sands, and most of the campaign's demands being met, apparently after secret negotiations between the IRA and the British government.

The last point is the one that this programme considers the most important (why does almost every history programme go for either news angle or complicity theory or both?). But the real interest here is the careful analysis of an extreme moment in recent history, helped by interviews with many of the principals. Being on hunger strike felt like "rubbing your brain with a Brillo Pad", says Paddy Quinn, one of the strikers who survived. We also meet Willie Whitelaw and Grey Gowrie from the British side; Garret Fitzgerald from Ireland; the inevitable Ian Paisley; widows of loyalist victims of the IRA ("we felt they had a choice which our husbands, fathers, sons never had"); others of the strikers; and Father Dennis Faul from Northern Ireland, who seems to have done more than most to end the hunger strike.



Germaine Greer takes a swing at "youthism" and the refusal to grow older and wiser

Screenplay: Safe
Wednesday, BBC2, 9.25-10.30pm
The beginning is light-hearted enough — London street kids around Piccadilly drinking beer, begging for money, shouting out rough fond insults to one another, and generally being energetic, adolescent and wild — but it soon gets brutal. Everyone here is a victim, everyone's got a secret or two that keeps them connecting, in this sad and painful tale of a young homeless anti-couple, Gypo (Aiden Gillen) and Kaz (Kate Hardie). There's violence, emotional and physical; there's abuse, emotional, physical and linguistic; there's drugs and there's drink and there's despair; and the atmosphere is entirely compelling and sometimes corny.

There is humour here in the flurry of fights and fires and rape and angst, and the play would not be tolerable without it. Writer Al Ashton and director Antonia Bird are not above dealing in clichés — the gruff homeless-shelter co-ordinator, the pleasant social workers, the retarded kid with his pointless moment of triumph, and above all, Nosty, creature of the brazier-lighted underground, the Glaswegian nutcase with the Rastafarian locks and a propensity for violence, either against himself or others. But the play is at its best when Gypo and Kaz are together in their noisy, still-born romance: both the main actors are good, but Kate Hardie is excellent — big wild eyes, desperate expression with not enough hardness to cover the softness, and a frightened body that reaches some kind of happier place when it performs its frenzied electric dance.

Inside Story: Rector Versus Clinton: The Killer and the Candidate
Wednesday, BBC1, 9.30-10.20pm
Not really a fair match-up you'd have thought — an imprisoned killer who had a third of his brain missing, versus the governor of Alabama on his way to becoming the Democrats' successful candidate for president. Rickie Rector lived in Faulkner County, Alabama. He was a violent criminal who was also a little crazy. After he had murdered the doorman of a club, a policeman who had always got on with Rector went alone to the Rector family house. The cop said: "Hello Rickie." Rickie said: "Hello officer Bob." Then Rickie shot officer Bob dead with a shotgun, ran out of the house and shot himself through the left temple. He blew away about a third of his brain and was left with the strange propensity to bark like a dog at random intervals. Never too bright, he was now completely gone. (In a relatively lucid moment he told a fellow Death Row resident that he had only confessed because of the chickens and alligators that had been put in his cell.) Nevertheless, at a time when coincidentally Governor Bill was trying to prove himself tough on crime, and therefore become President Clinton, Rickie Rector was sentenced to the electric chair.

It's an exemplary story of dangerous crime, arbitrary punishment and political mainchancing and at the centre of it is the pathetic figure of fat Rickie Rector (who kept back some of the pecan pie of his last meal — he was leaving it, he said, for later).

Def II: The Living Soap
Friday, BBC2, 7.15-7.45pm
As TV companies get shier in the wallet and as video technology gets better and cheaper, the "real people" show is in favour. There are game shows, talk shows, quiz shows, and now, again, the fly-on-the-wall show. After the "popularity" of *Sylvania Waters*, those nice people from Australia, here are some nicer people from Manchester.

They're all students, and (here is the startling premise) *they're going to be sharing a house!* So lots of jollity, ups and downs and arguments about the washing-up and deep sharing chats about hope, God and Death Thrash music are to be expected with Simon (earnest, wants to be a journalist), Matthew (very charming, likes Death Thrash music), Emma (amiable single parent), Daniel (wants to be Richard Branson), Karen (lively, didn't like art school in London), and Vidya (likes night clubs). There will soon be a time when all of us will have been on television, and then we'll have to make the awful decision whether to go to the back of the queue — or we could just disinvent it.

Demob
Friday, ITV, 9-10pm
Griff Rhys Jones and Martin Clunes co-star as the second world war veterans returning to civilian life which is, after the grand adventure, rather boring. The two of them had a rather highly regarded cabaret act, and by the end of this opening episode of six they have got it again, except now they're performing on Civvy Street. Amiable enough entertainment, it is good on period detail (a world seemingly composed of prefab houses and toothbrush moustaches, ration books and ugly children), and Rhys Jones and Clunes do a pleasant double act as the nice cheeky common fellow and the upper-class chancer, but it's all a little too soft-focus and comes over like Dennis Potter without the brains.

BEST FILMS

TODAY
Gone To Earth GB 1950 (BBC2, 12.15pm)
The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp GB 1943 (BBC2, 2.55pm)
Shadows US 1959 (Ch4, 10.50pm)
The Caretaker GB 1963 (Ch4, 11.40pm)
Platinum Blonde US 1931 (Ch4, 1am)
TOMORROW
House Party US 1990 (Ch4, 10pm)
TUESDAY
The Man Who Could Work Miracles GB (BBC1, 11.25pm)
WEDNESDAY
Libelled Lady US 1936 (Ch4, 2pm)
The Drowning Pool US 1975 (BBC1, 11.35pm)

BEST SPORT

TODAY
World Chess Championships (Ch4, 4pm, 8pm, 12.25am)
TOMORROW
First Division Football (ITV, 2.30pm)
MONDAY
American Football (Ch4, 11pm)
WEDNESDAY
World Cup Football: Ireland vs Spain (ITV, 2.30pm); *Holland vs England* (ITV, 8pm)
THURSDAY
Golf: The Dunhill Cup (BBC2, 2.15pm)

WONDERS

MONDAY-FRIDAY
Poets' News (BBC2, 11.15pm)

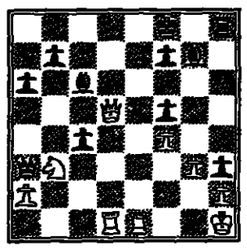
WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

This position is a variation from the game Short - Kasparov, Times World Championship, game 4. White seems to have lost his queen, as it is pinned against his king. What did Nigel have planned?

Send your answers on a postcard with your name and address to: *The Times*, 1 Pennington Street, London E1 9XN. The first three correct answers drawn on Thursday will win a British Chess Magazine book. The answer will be published next Saturday. Solution to last Saturday's competition: 1 ... h5.

Last week's winners are: M Davies, Ladybridge Road, Cheadle Hulme; C Fordham-Hall, Alumdale Road, Alum Chine, Bournemouth; H Marchamont, Austen Road, Guildford.



WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

VERNAGE
a. Shrubbery
b. The prime of life
c. A sweet wine

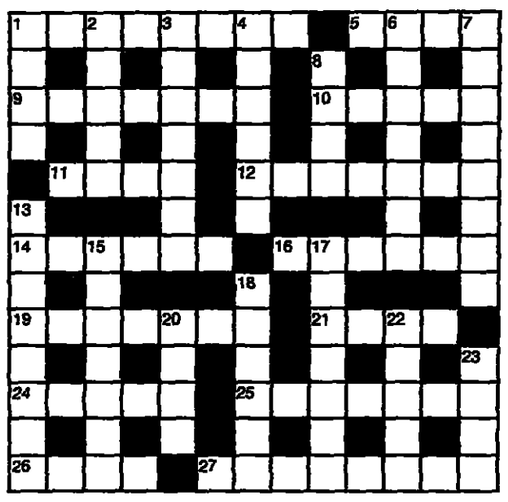
YOUNKERKIN
a. A small boy
b. Father's family
c. A Dutch cucumber

PREGNADA
a. A variety of lemon
b. A mother superior
c. An evening stroll

RUMPER
a. A lager lout
b. The adolescent warthog
c. A politician

Answers on page 13

CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 3221



ACROSS
1 Hair cavity (8)
5 Dull heavy sound (4)
9 Vertical (7)
10 Makes comfortable (5)
11 Confront (4)
12 Inequitable (3,4)
14 Particular (6)
16 Wall strip (6)
19 Small lumps (7)
21 Wise (4)
24 Sudden terror (5)
25 Antagonism (3,4)
26 Brood sullenly (4)
27 Obligated (8)

DOWN
1 Stinking (4)
2 Grub (5)
3 Entrance (7)
4 Dormant (6)
6 Ransom subject (7)
7 Abandoned (8)
8 Exploit (4)
13 Dutch potato spirit (8)
15 RC service book (7)
17 Determination (7)
18 Give out (6)
20 Fortune (4)
22 Bright gleam (5)
23 Dressed (4)

SOLUTIONS TO NO 3220

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The Big Apple has toffee in it

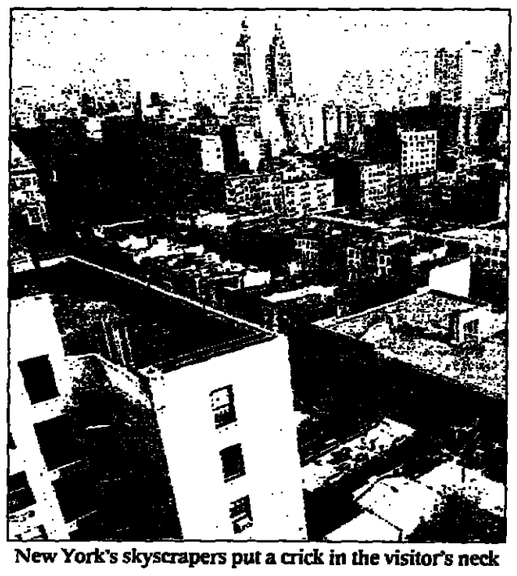
Mind-boggled but underawed, **Caitlin Moran** visits New York



IT WAS Thursday before I realised I was mislaying my passport on purpose. Things were going so remarkably well, it seemed, that the only way for it all to be a bit more familiar, normal and cack-handed was for me to throw my passport under the sofa, lob it into the fridge, drop it down the back of the TV, and then have a 20-minute panic attack trying to find it.

I'd never been abroad. Family holidays usually concentrated on a couple of B roads around the Wash: one disastrous foray into Scotland, where we re-enacted the Massacre of Glencoe over a "misunderstanding" about whose turn it was to sit in the part of the tent that didn't drip; and eating chips in a Volkswagen caravanette in Aberystwyth while watching the seagulls dive in and out of the sewage outfall pipe. For all of which I'm eternally grateful — I am now the undisputed queen of I-Spy and can recognise 40 different kinds of sheep from smell alone. So when it was suddenly sprung on me last week that I was going to New York to interview a band, I was woefully unprepared. All I could think to pack was a foldaway kettle and a towrope.

After the check-in at Heathrow, during which I discovered, rather disappointingly, that I had remembered both passport and tickets, there was nothing for me and the photographer, Matt, to do but wander around the duty-free and decide which brands of paralytically evil bulk-buy Scotch whisky we'd spend our fees on. Laden down with plastic bags smothered with little labels cautioning us not to open our cigarette cartons until our flight ended *(as if)*, we boarded the plane.


New York's skyscrapers put a crick in the visitor's neck

Sitting in a chair for seven hours couldn't ever be amusing. After four hours, I started to wish I had a phobia about flying. Terror would be more interesting. I spent half an hour in a lavatory, flushing the toilet and trying to convince myself that I would be sucked out of the plane. All that happened was a small light lit up: "Please stop messing around with the toilet. Go and watch *Ren and Stimpey* on television; drink some vodka or something. It's all free."

Mildly sloshed, Matt and I staggered off the plane and into New York. Having watched episodes of *Taxi*, I was reasonably *au fait* with the idea that New York city taxi drivers are deranged homicidal maniacs with very lenient insurance companies; but the guy who drove us to the hotel... if I drove like that, my mother would drag me out of the car and give me a slap across the back of my legs, and quite rightly so. After giving him a ten-dollar tip as an incentive never to pick us up again, we checked into the hotel, which for our comfort and convenience had bullet shields across the check-in desk and a metal detector across the lobby just in case we had forgotten those two AK47s in our pockets. Wardrobes wedged across our bedroom doors, we fell asleep.

Next day, it was vitally important that we — well, *I* — found somewhere that sold Silk Cut. We wandered down Broadway and found a pokey little newsagent, and it was here that I was crushed by my first titanic disappointment. America, home of the free, hasn't got a clue when it comes to chocolate. Milky Ways, Mars Bars and KitKats are like nothing on God's earth. *They have toffee in.* When I buy a KitKat, I'm looking for a chocolate/wafer combination. *This thing has little bits of peanut in, and the chocolate* tastes like lard mixed with choco powder. And nowhere in America sells Silk Cut. There are these horrible things called Newports, but you might as well smoke rolled-up newspaper.

So, while walking down Broadway, smoking *The New York Times*, sorry, Newports, I started rubber-necking and boggling my eyes at what lay around. The buildings are *fantastic*: 2,000 years of architectural styles (and in some cases archaeology) condensed into one block. One department store has Grecian pillars, a great gold-plated observatory and a tower with a bell in it, which, on the quarter hour, plays "Take Me Out To The Ball Game".

From watching television, you're aware that high-rises in the States are fairly large, but nothing prepares you for standing on a pavement gawping up at a building so tall it seems to curve right over you. If a stockbroker decided to kill himself by jumping from his office window, a) he'd be able to adjust his tie in the windows on the way down, and b) the fall would take so long that an ambulance would have been called and would be waiting for him at the bottom.

● *To be continued next week.*

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